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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: September 20, 1946

FROM : W. R. GLAVIN

SUBJECT:

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While discussing other matters with Mr. Puryear, he advised me that he had met Mr. Henry J. Collins, Jr. recently and upon inquiry had ascertained that Mr. Collins, at the present time, was assigned to work in the State Department.

Mr. Puryear advised me that this Collins has subversive connections, had been in the Army, and he was wondering how an individual of his type could have been assigned to duties in the State Department from the War Department.

I find from a review of file 65-56402-773 a memorandum dated August 21, 1946, pointing out that Collins is at the present time assigned to the State Department by delegation from the War Department. It is my understanding from Mr. Puryear that this individual has a very subversive background. He advised me that Collins had married Susan B. Anthony, II.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. [ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED

FITZGERALD CONTACTED MAGDOFF DISCUSSING LETTERS RECEIVED BY WALLACE AND
THEIR SITUATION IN VIEW HARRIMAN APPOINTMENT. FITZGERALD INQUIRED WHETHER
MAGDOFF COULD GET HIM APPOINTMENT AT SEATTLE, APPARENTLY WITH REGIONAL
OFFICE, COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, IN POSITION OF ECONOMIST. FITZGERALD SUGGESTED
MAGDOFF COULD EXPECT TO BE INVITED TO RESIGN AND FROM STANDPOINT OF STYLE
LOGIC HARRIMAN WOULD WANT TO GET RID OF QUOTE EACH AND EVERYONE OF US
UNQUOTE. MAGDOFF THOUGHT THERE IS POSSIBILITY HARRIMAN MAY WANT LIBERAL
FRONT. HE ADMITTED IT WOULD BE EASY TO DISMISS HIM AS HE LACKS CIVIL
SERVICE STATUS AND IS WAR APPOINTEE ALTHOUGH THEY ARE TRYING TO CORRECT
THAT. MAGDOFF MENTIONED THERE WAS LITTLE CHANCE OF HIS SECURING ANOTHER
SUCH JOB FOR YEARS WHERE THERE EXISTED BASIS FOR CONFIDENTIAL AND PERSONAL
RELATIONSHIP AT HIGH LEVEL. HE COMMENTED THEY WERE REALLY HIS PERSONAL

STAFF, PRESUMABLY REFERRING TO EX SECRETARY WALLACE. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY
FIVE MARY JANE KEENEY CONFERRED WITH ERIC SCROFT ADVISING SHE IS
GOING TO CHAPEL HILL SATURDAY. KEENEY INQUIRED ROBERT ISRAELIS DOING BOOK
AND WANTED ERIC, BELIEVED ERIC SCROFT, TO LOOK AT MANUSCRIPT SO KEENEY
IS DRIVING THEM DOWN. SHE AGREED TO TAKE SOME THINGS TO ANATOLE VOLKOV
FOR HELEN. SAME DATE KEENEY CONFERRED WITH ALIX, BELIEVED ALIX KEENEY,
STATING SHE HEARD MIKE AND MARIAN WERE IN SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS.

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REFERENCE APPARENTLY TO GREENBERG. LATER KEENEY CONTACTED ALICE THORNER, PHONETIC, STATING SHE WANTED ALICE AND DAN TO MEET THE BOB LEWIS. [ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE INFORMANT ADVISED LOUIS CARDOZO DE CORREZ CONTACTED ^{Abel F. L. F.} PLENN, INDICATING HE WANTED TO DISCUSS SOMETHING WITH PLENN WHO RECALLED CORREZ. LOUIS INQUIRED IF PLENN RECEIVED THOSE THINGS SENT FROM MOSCOW WHICH HE STATED WERE SENT TO CARLOS MEDIA, PHONETIC, IN MEXICO. CORREZ INDICATED HE SENT PRAVIDAS, IZVESTIAS, SECUTADOS, PHONETIC. PLENN STATED HE RECEIVED ONE PRAVIDA IN THE EMBASSY WHICH HE SENT AND ONE WHICH WAS TRANSLATED. PLENN STATED HE LEARNED THERE WERE MORE FROM ONE SIMPLY FIRE, PHONETIC, A NORTH AMERICAN CORRESPONDENT. PLENN STATED LOMBARDO TOLEZANO HAD INDICATED HE WAS WAITING TO SEE CARDOZO IN MEXICO AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM THE MATTERS TALKED ABOUT THERE. ON SAME DATE BOB LEWIS CONTACTED PLENN INDICATING HE AND ~~WILSON~~, APPARENTLY WIFE, ARE SAILING OCTOBER FOUR. LEWIS INVITED PLENN TO HIS HOME FOLLOWING NIGHT STATING ~~JOHN~~ AND ~~DEWITT~~ WERE COMING. SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION INDICATES DEWITT PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED MAY BE WINFIELD DEWITT ~~DEWITT~~, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SPEECH, G. W. U. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE ~~DEWITT~~ CONTACTED PLENN. SHE INQUIRED WHETHER PLENN HAD READ HER BOOK BY LOUIS ADAMIC AND MADE REFERENCE TO SOMETHING PLENN HAD SAID ABOUT ADAMIC BEING IN BAD COMPANY. PLENN APPEARED ANNOYED AT KELLY'S QUESTIONS INDICATING ADAMIC HAD UNWITTINGLY BEEN INVOLVED WITH SOME REACTIONARIES AND APPARENTLY WAS AFRAID HE MIGHT

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BE MISQUOTED BY KELLY AS HAVING SAID ADAMIC WAS IN BAD COMPANY. HELEN MENTIONED ADAMIC WAS CHAIRMAN OF BIG MEETING IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN AND FLENN THOUGHT THAT FINE. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE ALSO DORIS FLENN, NYC, CONTACTED FLENN WHO ADVISED HE HAD RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM HELEN BLACK WHO IS COMING TO WASHINGTON FOR RUSSIAN EMBASSY RECEPTION AND WOULD STAY WITH FLENN. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED KRAMER CONTACTED MARJORIE MANSING, PHONETIC, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, CONCERNING SPEECH SCHEDULED BY SENATOR PEPPER IN BOSTON. MARJORIE INDICATED IT IS IMPORTANT DINNER FOR FIFTEEN HUNDRED PEOPLE INCLUDING INDIVIDUALS FROM ALL NEW ENGLAND NOT MERELY MASSACHUSETTS. MARJORIE INQUIRED CONCERNING SUBJECT MATTER AND KRAMER SAID NOT WORRY HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE SATISFACTORY BUT WOULD NOT LIKE TO DISCUSS SPEECH AT THIS MOMENT JUST BEFORE PEPPER TALKED WITH SPARKMAN. MARJORIE SAID ANYTHING KRAMER WRITES FOR PEPPER WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE AND KRAMER ASSURED HER PEPPER WROTE HIS OWN SPEECHES SOMETIMES UNFORTUNATELY. KRAMER MADE A FLATTERING REMARK ABOUT MARJORIE'S NEARNESS TO GOVERNOR AND SHE STATED THEY HAD TERRIFIC WARD AND PRECINCT AND WOULD DELIVER MASSACHUSETTS TO PEPPER IN FORTY EIGHT. SHE STATED THE CATHOLICS SUPPORT FYNES AND EVERYONE ELSE SUPPORTS WALLACE. MARJORIE STATED A LOT OF PEOPLE WANTED PEPPER BESIDES THEMSELVES. SHE MENTIONED GROUP IN HARVARD WANT PEPPER FOR A LUNCHEON. ON NIGHT SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE SILVERMAN, NYC, CONTACTED WIFE ADVISING HE HAD DINNER WITH BILL O'DWYER WHO OFFERED

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HIS JOB AT SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED. SILVERMAN INDICATED HE WOULD STAY OVERNIGHT AND RETURN WASHINGTON THURSDAY. HE STATED HE WOULD ENDEAVOR TO GET ROOM AT EDISON HOTEL. ON MORNING SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED WHEELERS RETURNED TO WASHINGTON STOPPING OVER WITH WALTER NIVENS, PHONETIC, AND WIFE IN CHICAGO. MARY WHEELER STATED DON WHEELER HAD RESIGNED HIS POSITION AND IS LOOKING FOR JOB. SHE STATED HE MAY DO SOME RESEARCH WORK ON HIS OWN LIKE OSCAR GASS. SUBSEQUENTLY DONALD WHEELER TOLD ELROY WELCH, PHONETIC, HE WAS OFFERED LAW SCHOOL JOB AT CHICAGO BUT WAS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IT. BUREAU ADVISED. (X)u

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October 4, 1946

Director, FBI

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Dear Sir:

Attention: FBI Laboratory

Re: GREGORY
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MARY JANE KEENEY

Reference is made to my letter of October 4, 1946, reflecting information relative to the contacts of PHILIP OLIN KEENEY with Colonel THOMAS and in particular to the letter THOMAS directed to KEENEY.

There is being transmitted herewith a photographic copy of this letter, and it is desired that the Laboratory search the signature through the espionage writings file as well as the type-written matter in the typewritten matter file.

For the information of the Laboratory, THOMAS is possibly an espionage agent affiliated with PHILIP KEENEY, and his identity is unknown. THOMAS was contacted by KEENEY in New York City in November and December, 1945. Other contacts of KEENEY at this time were LOUIS FERNAN and JOSEPHINE TRUSLOW ADAMS of the Jefferson School of Social Sciences.

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Very truly yours,

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GREGORY, ESTIONAGE R. ON SEPTEMBER THIRTY FITZGERALD CONFERRED WITH
BEADIE MAGDOFF INDICATING HE AND VEET BASSIE WANTED TO INFORM HER IN THE
EVENT SHE TALKED WITH SUBJECT MAGDOFF WHO IS IN BOSTON. FITZGERALD
EXPLAINED THAT HE AND BASSIE HAD OBJECTED STRENUOUSLY TO THE LETTER WHICH
PHIL HAUSER HENRY AX HAD PREPARED FOR WALLACE AND BASSIE DECIDED TO CALL WALLACE.
WHEN WALLACE CALLED, HAUSER CONTACTED YOUNG AND DICK HIPPLEHAUSER WHEREUPON
UNDER FITZGERALD'S PRODDING BASSIE INVITED HIMSELF ALONG. FITZGERALD
STATED THAT BASSIE SUGGESTED PREPARING A PRESS RELEASE WHICH FITZGERALD
DID. HE READ THIS RELEASE WHICH EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE SINCERITY

BERNARD

OF BARUCH AND HIS ASSOCIATES BUT CHARGED THAT THE CENTRAL ISSUE AT WHICH
WALLACE'S LETTER WAS DIRECTED REMAINS, NAMELY WHETHER U. S. SHOULD CONTINUE
PRODUCING AND STOCKPILING ATOM BOMBS DURING TRANSITION TO INTERNATIONAL
CONTROL WHICH RESULTS IN LACK OF MUTUAL TRUST AND CONFIDENCE BETWEEN
U. S. AND RUSSIA. FITZGERALD STATED THAT BASSIE HAD SUGGESTED WALLACE
CALL BARUCH AND TELL HIM HE COULD NOT SUPPORT THE DISCUSSION HAUSER HAD
WITH BARUCH AND IF LATTER FEELS HE MUST RELEASE HIS MEMORANDUM, WALLACE
WOULD MAKE COUNTER RELEASE. FITZGERALD STATED WALLACE AGREED WITH THIS
IDEA AND CALLED BARUCH READING THE RELEASE WHICH FITZGERALD RECALLED
WHEREUPON BARUCH TOLD WALLACE THIS IS PARTING OF THE RECORDED OFF GOING
TO GET YOU ANYWAY WE CAN. FITZGERALD AND BEADIE MAGDOFF EXpressed

Letter to Allen

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
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~~HAROLD~~ YOUNG AND FITZGERALD STATED WHAT WALLACE NEEDED WAS MAGDOFF, BASSIE, AND HIMSELF TO FURNISH RIGHT ADVICE AND MAKE THE DECISIONS. BEADIE STATED FOR PRIVATE REASONS MAGDOFF COULD NOT DO THIS AS IT MIGHT DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD. SHE MENTIONED BASSIE STATED HE MIGHT TAKE ANNUAL LEAVE AND WORK FOR WALLACE AND THEY DISCUSSED SELLING WALLACE ON BASSIE AND CONTINUING WITH MAGDOFF A SILENT PARTNER. FITZGERALD STATED YOUNG WAS EXCITED ABOUT CHICAGO TRIP AND THERE WAS COMPLETE UNANIMITY THERE. THEY AGREED THIRD PARTY CANNOT WIN. HOWEVER FITZGERALD STATED IF WALLACE HOLDS HIS CARDS RIGHT THEY WILL HAVE THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. ON SEPTEMBER THIRTY SUBJECTS KAPLAN AND SILVERMAN ARRANGED LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT THAT DAY. ON OCTOBER ONE INFORMANT ADVISED CATHERINE ~~HURLEY~~, PHONETIC, TEACHERS UNION ORGANIZER, UPWA, CONTACTED ~~DOROTHY~~ ~~PLENN~~. THEY DISCUSSED ABEL ~~PLENN~~'S CONTEMPLATED TRIP TO CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE AND DOROTHY STATED THEY HAVE WELL FUNCTIONING SPANISH COMMITTEE IN CHICAGO AND ONE HORACE C. ~~DAVIS~~ HAS BEEN CONTACTING ~~PLENN~~ ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS. ~~HURLEY~~ SUGGESTED ~~PLENN~~ CONTACT THE ~~ROBERT~~ ~~TAYLORS~~ AND ROBERT ~~WEAVERS~~ FURNISHING CHICAGO ADDRESSES. ~~[REDACTED]~~

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TO : The Director

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: VIRGINIA PREWITT

DATE: 9-24-46

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WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.

Reference is made to the memorandum from Assistant Director L. B. Nichols to Mr. Tolson dated September 20, 1946, entitled "Bernard S. Redmont" and to your notation on this memorandum, "What do we have on Redmont and Prewitt?" Pursuant to your request the Bureau files were reviewed and there is set out below a summary of all available information appearing in these files on Virginia Prewitt.

During February, 1942, Bureau Agents in Mexico identified Virginia Prewitt as a reporter then in Mexico and the author of "Reportage on Mexico."

Former Legal Attache James P. McMahon observed Virginia Prewitt during April, 1946, taking notes on items which John F. Griffiths, Second Secretary of the American Embassy in Buenos Aires, was dictating to a stenographer. According to McMahon, it was common gossip about the Embassy at this time that Griffiths was fraternizing with Prewitt. McMahon reported that certain individuals in the Embassy considered Griffiths to be "pink."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: GREGORY
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(Henry H. Collins, Jr.)

DATE: October 2, 1946

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You may probably recall that from about 1935 to 1937, according to Whittaker Chambers, a former Communist Party member, that Henry H. Collins, was a member of the Communist Party Underground group which operated in Washington, D. C. This group was headed by Harold Ware, the former husband of Jessica Smith, the present head of the publication "Soviet Russia Today" and the wife of John Abt. While Collins was active in the group he was employed by the Forestry Service of the Department of Agriculture. He was treasurer of the group and apparently collected a part of the salary of each member which was transmitted to one of his principals in New York City. Group meetings were held in Collins' apartment on St. Matthews Court over a garage which was described as the principal meeting place for the group.

Investigation in the Gregory Case has disclosed that Collins is an associate of subjects Joseph B. Gregg, Bela and Sonia Gold and Alger Hiss.

On August 15, 1946, information contained in the Bureau files with respect to Collins was made available to Mr. Frederick Lyon of the State Department for his information and any action he deemed advisable.

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To: Mr. Frederick B. Lyon
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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: NORMAN T. NESS

Reference is made to the memorandum dated September 17, 1946, from Mr. R. L. Bannerman to you. On the basis of the information furnished a check has been made of the records of the FBI for information which can be identified with Ness.

The only information which appears in the files of the FBI is to the effect that Ness was scheduled as a speaker before the Maryland Citizens Council in Baltimore, Maryland, on June 3, 1945. According to the information which is available, many members of this group were members of the Communist Party and others were individuals who had followed the Communist Party line. As of November 16, 1945, this group was not active.

- ☐ Mr. Tolson
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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON OCTOBER TWO MARY JANE KEENEY INVITED WAHLS AND DUNAWAYS TO HER HOME SATURDAY NIGHT. HOWEVER WAHL SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED UNABLE TO COME BECAUSE SELLING HOME AND HAD PURCHASED MARYLAND FARM SEVENTEEN MILES NORTH OF DISTRICT LINE. ON OCTOBER THREE KEENEY ENDEAVORED TO LOCATE ALIX REUTHER. SHE ALSO CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER STATING SHE HAD LETTER FROM WILLIAM IN BERLIN IN WHOM SHE BECAME SO INTERESTED WHILE THERE.

[REDACTED] ON OCTOBER TWO INFORMANT INDICATED MAGDOFF, BOSTON, WIRED BEADIE MAGDOFF HE WOULD RETURN BY PLANE THAT NIGHT. ON OCTOBER THREE

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cc: Mr. Jones

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[BEADIE MAGDOFF INDICATED HARRY MAGDOFF WOULD BE GOING AWAY SUNDAYS AND RETURNING WEDNESDAYS FOR MONTH PRESUMABLY ON COMMERCE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS.

ON OCTOBER THREE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED FLORENCE ~~LEVY~~, SISTER IN LAW SUBJECT ^①MILLER, ADVISED JENNIE ~~MILLER~~ SHE HAD BEEN CERTIFIED BY CIVIL SERVICE TO STATE DEPARTMENT FOR GRADE AND POSITION. SHE WAS TOLD SHE CAN TAKE GRADE FOUR JOB AND THEN BE ELIGIBLE FOR GRADE SIX IF POSITION ALLOWED IT.]

ON OCTOBER TWO WILLIE, BELIEVED WILLIE MACAVOY, CONTACTED HELEN ~~SILVERMASTER~~ MENTIONING ANNE ~~WHITELY~~, SISTER OF ICKES, IS VISITING HER FRIDAY. WILLIE STATED ANNE IS NICE PERSON BUT NOT QUOTE A HEALTHY LITTLE RACIAL LIKE WE ARE UNQUOTE. HELEN STATED SHE WOULD COME IF THEY DO NOT GO TO BEACH.

ON OCTOBER THREE DOROTHY ~~TAYLOR~~ CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER ADVISING SUBJECT WILLIAM ^②TAYLOR IS WORKING HARD UNDER HAROLD GLASSER AT TREASURY. SHE STATED TAYLORS LIVE NEAR LOMA, PRESUMABLY LOMA WOODS. DOROTHY ALSO ADVISED THEY SAW ANNE AND HARRY ~~WHITE~~ AT ARAHIAN PARTY, MAYFLOWER HOTEL, THE OTHER FRIDAY. HELEN STATED SHE STILL THOUGHT A LOT OF ANNE WHITE AS QUOTE WE USED TO BE, YOU KNOW UNQUOTE. [ON OCTOBER THREE INFORMANT ADVISED WHITE INDICATED CONTEMPLATING PURCHASE TWENTY-ONE ACRES AND HOUSE FROM MRS. KRAM FITZWILLIAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE. ON SAME DATE ANNE WHITE INDICATED TO FRANCES EDKILSTEIN SHE AND WHITE PLAN VISITING NEW YORK NEXT WEEK AND MAY VISIT FITZWILLIAM. BUREAU ADVISED.]

BUREAU BY MESSENGER

HOTEL

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BY DEPARTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC)

DATE: 9-3-82

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Date: October 3, 1946

To: Mr. Heber M. Clegg
Special Assistant to the Ambassador
The American Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

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Date of Review 0-2R

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From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: ANATOLI BORISOVICH GROMOV, aliases
Anatole Gromov, "AI";
ESPIONAGE - R; Refer 5 IS.

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Exempt from GDS, Category
Date of Declassification Indefinite
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Reference is made to your radiogram of September 17, 1946, in the case entitled, "Sodac, Argentina", concerning Anatoli Gromov, now counsellor of the Soviet Embassy in Buenos Aires who, it is believed, is very possibly identical with the above subject. Enclosed for your information and assistance in connection with this investigation are two copies of a photograph of Anatoli Borisovich Gromov taken in 1945 during the period he was First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C.

In addition, Gromov has been identified as the important Soviet agent "AI" in the Gregory case concerning which you have previously been furnished information.

Set out below is a description of Anatoli Borisovich Gromov compiled from personal observation of the Agents who surveilled him prior to his departure from the United States:

Age:

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38 (Born November 29, 1907, in the Soviet Union, place not known)

Height:

5'5"

Weight:

165 pounds

Hair:

Brown

Eyes:

Brown

Complexion:

Fair

Facial Characteristics:

Round face, short neck, prominent nose

Build:

Stocky, with broad shoulders

Glasses:

Has been observed wearing black-rimmed glasses and gold-rimmed glasses

Dress:

Sloppy. Usually wears dark clothes

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You are instructed to immediately exert every effort to determine whether or not the above subject is identical with Anatoli Gromov, the present counsellor of the Soviet Embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina. It should be noted in this connection that the position held by the Gromov in Buenos Aires would be a logical promotion for the above subject. As soon as possible you should arrange to take surveillance photographs of Anatoli Gromov and, if possible, procure a posed photograph of him for the purpose of comparison with the photographs attached to this letter. Copies of all photographs taken in this connection should immediately be forwarded to the Bureau. ~~S~~ U

In addition, you are instructed to discreetly determine through all available sources which can be trusted, all possible information concerning the activities and contacts of the Gromov in Buenos Aires regardless of whether or not he appears identical with the above subject inasmuch as due to the similarity of names and the known frequent changing of names of Soviet Intelligence personnel, it is entirely possible that regardless of whether or not the Gromov in Buenos Aires is identical with the above subject, he is still engaged in intelligence activity. ~~S~~ U

Any developments of importance in connection with the investigation of Gromov should immediately be called to the Bureau's attention. ~~S~~ U

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SAC, New York
Director - FBI

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(Theodor Baumgold)~~SECRET~~Classified by SP-5 JWH/mu
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With reference to Theodor Baumgold who is a known contact and perhaps a relative of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein, information has been received from

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[REDACTED] (S)

[REDACTED] (S)

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[REDACTED] (S)

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New York 7, New York



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July 13, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: GREGORY *SILVERMASTER*
ESPIONAGE - R
REFER 5 IS

CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 24, 1946, in which it was indicated that attempts were made to identify A. J. ARONSON and ERNEST W. ADLER, of the 68-71 DISCC, APO 758, c/o Postmaster, New York City.

Information was received that Lieutenant Colonel JOHN B. STANLEY was the Commanding Officer of the 68-71 DISTRICT INFORMATION SERVICES CONTROL COMMAND (DISCC) 7th Army, APO 758. It was further revealed that this command had been located in Germany.

In the event that information can be obtained regarding ARONSON and ADLER through the DISCC, it is requested that this information be forwarded to the New York Field Division.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd *DL*
 FROM : L. G. Fitch *LF*
 SUBJECT: GREGORY
 ESPIONAGE - R
 (CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE)

DATE: Aug. 27, 1946

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Reference is made to a letter from SAC, New York, dated July 13, 1946, which indicates that one A. J. Aronson and one Ernest W. Adler were attached to the 68-71 District Information Service Control Command, 7th Army, APO 758. Apparently these individuals were in contact with one of the subjects in the above-captioned case.

Information had previously been obtained that A. J. Aronson had Army Serial No. O-1267139 and that there was no serial number for Adler. This matter was previously checked into to no avail. The following information has now been ascertained:

[REDACTED]

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this be forwarded to the Internal Security Section for information.

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(Cedric Henning Balfrage)

Reference is made to the letter from your office dated July 23, 1946, captioned as above which made further reference to A. J. Aronson and Ernest W. Adler of the 68-71 DISCC, APO 758, c/o Postmaster, New York City, who are known contacts of Balfrage.

For your information the War Department has advised that there is no record in the files of the Adjutant General's Office concerning [REDACTED]

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The above is submitted for your information.

Refused

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FROM RIO DE JANEIRO

10-7-46

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BERNARD S.

RE GREGORY CASE. TRIBUNA POPULAR OCTOBER 8 PUBLISHED ASSOCIATED PRESS DESPATCH FROM WASHINGTON STATING MAGAZINE WORLD REPORT THIS MONTH PUBLISHED INTERVIEW OF PRESTES BY REDMONT. IN INTERVIEW PRESTES ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE A THIRD WORLD WAR INEVITABLE; THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PLAYING WITH FIRE BY REFUSING TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST FASCIST GOVERNMENTS OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL; THAT THE POLICY OF THE COMMUNISTS IN REGARD TO UNITED STATES IS NOT PRO OR CON, HOWEVER BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES IS A CAPITALISTIC COUNTRY IT CONTAINS POLITICALLY POWERFUL REACTIONARY GROUPS WHICH INFLUENCE THE GOVERNMENT IN ITS AGGRESSIVE TENDENCIES; THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF LATIN AMERICA DOES NOT MAINTAIN CONNECTIONS WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE HEMISPHERE. BUENOS AIRES ADVISED.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL
OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title GREGORY

Character of Case ESPIONAGE - R
Field Office NEW YORK
Symbol Number [REDACTED] *CONF. INFT.
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or
Microphone) TECHNICAL

1. Subject's name and address:

Dr. Abraham Benedict Weinstein
20 East 53rd Street
New York, N. Y.

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2. Location of technical operation:

Sutec

3. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

Authorized 12/6/45
Installed 12/20/45 at 5:00 p.m.

4. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

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5. Specific valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and what use was made of each item of information involved:

On July 19, 1946, it was ascertained that Dr. Weinstein and his wife made reservations for August 2, 1946, to fly to Quebec, Canada.

On July 19, 1946, it was ascertained that Weinstein contemplated a trip by plane to California around October 1, 1946.

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6. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

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7. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

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8. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

No

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9. Manpower and costs involved:

This technical surveillance is operated out of Sutech and the manpower involved amounts to the recording of the average of six calls per day

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10. Remarks (By SAC):

Through this type of coverage the activities and contacts are kept current. Since practically all Dr. Weinstein's contacts are made at his office it would be impossible to ascertain their identity without this coverage. It is therefore recommended that this technical surveillance remain in operation.

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11. Remarks (added at Seat of Government): Dr. Abraham Benedict Weinstein is one of the primary subjects in the Gregory Case. He is not only in contact frequently with a number of subjects in this case, but also with a great many other individuals connected with other cases who are known or suspected Soviet agents, of particular interest among whom is Ralph Bowman, who has been identified as the important Soviet agent "Al" in the Comrap case. Weinstein's activities are considered of the greatest importance and the technical surveillance is one of the few effective means of ascertaining his contacts. Without such coverage, it will be impossible to determine completely his contacts, most of which are made at his dental office covered by this technical surveillance.

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12. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

In view of the importance of Dr. Abraham Benedict Weinstein in the investigation of the above case and in the collateral investigation of Soviet espionage activity, and in view of the irreplaceable character of the information furnished through this technical surveillance, I recommend its continuance.

du
D. M. Ladd *xy*

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13. Recommendation by the Assistants to the Director:

Approved - EAO.

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On July 24, 1946, Ralph Bowman, subject of an INTERNAL SECURITY - R investigation, who recently was identified as the "AL" in the Comrap investigation, contacted the office of Dr. Weinstein and made an appointment for July 31, 1946.

On August 9, 1946, an appointment was made for Vice Consul V. A. Kazaniev of the Russian Consulate in New York City.

Charles Krumbein, Treasurer of the National Communist Party, contacted the office of A. B. Weinstein.

This information was reported in the case entitled GREGORY; ESPIONAGE - R and through this technical coverage it was possible to ascertain the activities and contacts of Dr. Weinstein and his wife.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. REFER 5 IS. INFORMANT, GREGORY, ADVISED THAT JOHN H. REYNOLDS, PRESIDENT OF US SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, SENT CABLEGRAM TO INTOURIST, MOSCOW TODAY, STATING THAT US S. AND S. CORP. WAS CEASING ACTIVITIES IMMEDIATELY AND NO LONGER DESIRED CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT SUBMITTED PREVIOUSLY. REYNOLDS REQUESTED INTOURIST TO ADVISE NAME OF CONCERN THAT WOULD TAKE OVER BUSINESS IN ORDER THAT BOOKS MIGHT BE PROPERLY STRAIGHTENED OUT.

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Office Memorandum

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TAMM
FROM : D. M. Ladd
SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE

DATE: October 14, 1946

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Tele. Room
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Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

ASAC Belmont of New York telephoned today and advised that Gregory has informed the New York Office that John Reynolds, who has been the financial angel of the U. S. Shipping Service, is becoming aggravated with Browder and the others and has indicated to Gregory that he may come to the FBI to furnish information and further that he will withdraw from this business.

Mr. Belmont wanted to know what should be done in this regard. I instructed Mr. Belmont to have Gregory very discreetly encourage Reynolds in this regard pointing out to him that if he does come to the FBI for the purpose of giving information that he should do it surreptitiously so that the others will not know that he is in contact with the FBI and I instructed Belmont that in the event Reynolds does appear, that he should be thoroughly questioned and efforts made to develop him into a double.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Washington

October 16, 1946

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on October 7, 1946.

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Re: Gregory
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John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by:

Washington

Reference:

Letter dated October 4, 1946

Examination requested:

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Qc7 One photographic copy of typewritten letter beginning "My dear Angus, I wish you a very ..." and signed "Thomas".

Result of Examination:

The typewriting and the signature appearing on specimen Qc7 were compared with the material contained in the National Security File without effecting an identification.

The submitted evidence, specimen Qc7, is returned to your office herewith. Photographic copies have been made for the completion of the Laboratory's files.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON NIGHT OCTOBER ELEVEN CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED
MARY FOREMAN, WIFE OF CLARK FOREMAN, CONTACTED ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS.
THEY DISCUSSED FAMILY OF DR. RONALD LOVEL, COLORED, FROM PUERTO RICO WHOM
MARY DESCRIBED AS LOVELY PEOPLE SHE MET THROUGH SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR
HUMAN WELFARE. MARY INDICATED SHE AND CLARK WERE WITH NEGROES THE OTHER
NIGHT WHEN THEY WERE REFUSED ADMITTANCE TO LISNER AUDITORIUM. SHE STATED
MANY WERE FROM HOWARD UNIVERSITY AND DR. JOSEPH JOHNSON KNEW THEY MIGHT BE
TURNED AWAY. HOWEVER THEY WERE GOING TO SEE. SHE STATED THEY WILL PROTEST
IT. ON OCTOBER ELEVEN MARY JANE KEENEY INVITED ROSENBERGS, BOWEN SMITHS,
AND OWEN LATTIMORES TO HER APARTMENT. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE INDICATED
ROSENBERGS ARRIVED ACCOMPANIED BY UNKNOWN MAN PROBABLY LATTIMORE, SMITHS
BROUGHT UNKNOWN WOMAN BELIEVED KLEANOR LATTIMORE. AT NINE FORTYFIVE P.M.
ROSENBERGS DEPARTED WITH LATTIMORES WHO PURCHASED ONE WAY RAILWAY TICKET
TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. ON SAME DATE KEENEY INVITED SAHLS AND SUNAWAYS TO
DINNER FOLLOWING NIGHT. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE REFLECTED THESE PEOPLE
VISITED KEENEY. (ON OCTOBER ELEVEN KEENEY INVITED ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS WILLIAMS,
LABOR DEPARTMENT, BELIEVED IDENTICAL FAITH WILLIAMS. SAME DATE SHE CONTACTED
ALIX BROUTHER INVITING HER TO DINNER TUESDAY, OCTOBER FIFTEEN, IN ORDER TO
MEET URSULA WASSERMAN. SUBSEQUENTLY ON OCTOBER THIRTEEN KEENEY CONVERSED
WITH WASSERMAN WHO INDICATED SHE WAS DELAYED IN ORDER TO SEE SOMEONE IN

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UNITED NATIONS AND WOULD BE UNABLE TO COME DOWN BEFORE TUESDAY. NEW YORK OFFICE REQUESTED TO CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE URSULA WASSERMAN ON OCTOBER FIFTEEN AND ADVISE WFO CONCERNING DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON. ON OCTOBER THIRTEEN KEENEY CONFERRED WITH BOWEN SMITH REQUESTING CLOTHING DONATION FOR GERMAN ANTI FASCIST FRIENDS WHOM HELEN BOOTH HAD WRITTEN ABOUT. SMITH STATED HE HAD GIVEN GREAT DEAL TO RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF AND FRANKLY HAD MORE PERSONAL FEELING FOR THIS. THEY DISCUSSED GALLUP POLL ON BYRNES' POLICY CRITICISING THE POLL REFLECTING APPROVAL OF BYRNES AS MIS-INFORMATION, SPREAD BY PRESS. [REDACTED]

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OCTOBER TWELVE BEADIE MAGDOFF TOLD FITZGERALD THEY WERE GOING TO MOVE TO CALIFORNIA AND THAT HARRY MAGDOFF IS GOING TO GET THE JOB, THE ONLY QUESTION BEING WHETHER THEY WILL LIVE THERE. FITZGERALD LAUGHINGLY INDICATED HE WAS GOING THERE ALSO. NO FURTHER DETAILS KNOWN THIS TIME. ON OCTOBER ELEVEN ABEL PLENN AND ONE LEONARD DISCUSSED PLENN'S TRIP TO MIDDLE WEST AGREEING MIDDLE WEST IS NEARER TO SOCIAL DEMOCRACY. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED RECENT BRIEF PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION WHICH THEY AGREED WAS A PATHETIC LITTLE THING. PLENN STATED HE COULD NOT CONCEIVE OF ANY ORGANIZATION AS LEONARD AND HE KNOW IT, PRESUMABLY MEANING PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION LACKED ORGANIZATION. X

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THEY DISCUSSED SPANISH INVESTMENTS IN WHICH FASCIST SPANIARDS HAD MADE LARGE PROFITS, SPEAKING BITTERLY OF SUCH TRANSACTIONS. ON OCTOBER ELEVEN PLENN CONVERSED WITH JORGE GRANADOS, GUATEMALAN AMBASSADOR, PARTICULARLY DISCUSSING A MAN IN PRISON IN SPAIN. GRANADOS INDICATED HE HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM A FRIEND OF PLENN IN WISCONSIN CONCERNING THIS MAN AND HAD GIVEN THE LETTER TO THE CUBAN AMBASSADOR REQUESTING GUARANTIES IN THE NAME OF THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT. GRANADOS INDICATED THE CUBAN AMBASSADOR STATED SPAIN IS DEALING CAREFULLY WITH CUBA TO AVOID BREAK OF RELATIONS. ON OCTOBER TWELVE CATHERINE MURLEY CONVERSED WITH DORIS PLENN DISCUSSING GEORGE FRAIN AND GRACE LAFFE, SISTER OF PEARL HUCK. CATHERINE INDICATED FRAIN WANTED TO KNOW SOME PEOPLE WHO WISHED TO ATTEND SOVIET EMBASSY RECEPTION DURING CELEBRATION OF NOVEMBER TEN. SHE STATED HE IS VERY CLOSE WITH THE RUSSIANS. CATHERINE STATED SHE WAS LEERIE OF FRAIN WHO TOLD HER HE JOINED CIO AND SHE LEARNED HE HAD BEEN KICKED AROUND BY AFL.

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Re: GREGORY
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Dear Sir:

The purpose of this letter is to briefly review the progress of this case to determine, if possible, its logical future course, together with the possible results to be obtained.

In November, 1945, Confidential Informant GREGORY supplied information on various individuals who she stated had been operating as a Russian espionage ring in Washington, D. C., and New York City.

The members of this intelligence group were almost all Government employees holding positions of varying degrees of importance in the War, State, Treasury, and Commerce Departments, as well as other Governmental agencies.

New York City was the headquarters of this ring and was headed by JACOB GOLOS, who from 1938 to the Spring of 1941 worked with GREGORY KIMIAN and probably under his direction. Thereafter GOLOS and GREGORY turned over the espionage material they had obtained from the various individuals in Washington and New York City to other individuals who were directly or indirectly connected with the Russian Embassy in Washington or the Russian Consulate in New York City.

After the death of JACOB GOLOS in December, 1943, GREGORY became the head of the ring, and at the time she severed her connection with the group in December, 1944, she was in direct contact with ANATOLI GROMOV, the First Secretary of the Russian Embassy in Washington, whom she knew only as "AL." Her last contact with him was in November, 1945. However, on December 6, 1945, GROMOV was recalled to the U.S.S.R., and his place was taken by FEODOR GARANIN, who it is believed took over the espionage activities of GROMOV. It is to be noted that GARANIN is scheduled to return to the U.S.S.R. in mid-September of this year.

The method of operation of the members of the espionage group, as related by GREGORY, consisted in the abstraction or copying from Government files secret, restricted, confidential, or other important data that came into their possession by virtue of their positions in the various Govern-

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mental agencies. This material was furnished to GREGORY and eventually found its way to the U.S.S.R. As GREGORY ceased activities in December, 1944, most of the information concerns itself with the various activities of the members of this group prior to December, 1944.

Investigation to date, while substantiating the truth of GREGORY'S statements, has failed to disclose that any of the individuals are presently engaged in espionage activities, although her statements of information furnished by her to her Russian contacts, which information was in turn supplied by the groups in the Government service, pertained in a great many instances to U. S. Government policy of the type known only to the U. S. Government itself.

On the other hand, investigation of numerous subjects and contacts of these subjects has disclosed that nearly all are either presently, or were in the past, Communist Party members or closely allied with the Communist movement.

Interrogation of GREGORY has revealed that the Russian intelligence system, particularly the NKVD, look to known and trusted members of the Communist Party whenever the need arises for agents, couriers, or other types of contacts. Statements of the informant in the CORBY case as to the methods employed by FRED ROSE in his activities in Canada will also bear out this method of recruiting as employed by the Russians.

In considering future investigation in this case, the course of action with best possibilities of securing positive results would be an attempt to reactivate the informant as a Russian agent through her former contacts or through subjects of this case.

Consideration has been again given to the reactivation of the informant, and it is the conclusion of this office that nothing has occurred to change the opinion as set out more fully in New York letter of April 2, 1946, in which it was stated that it is impossible to plan any definite action calculated to reactivate her due to the fact that her Russian contacts were not known to her officially, although her identity is known to them, and in addition the other subjects in the case whom she contacted from time to time looked upon her as being in a higher position in the espionage setup and an attempt by her to feel them out might result in great suspicion and possible uncovering of her relations with this office.

However, the informant's value is still deemed high because of her close association with EARL BROWDER and because she will be of possible value as a source of possible future policies made by him in connection with general Communist Party affairs. It must also be borne in mind that the possibility of BROWDER'S participation in espionage activities resulting from his recent trip to the U.S.S.R. would still further enhance her value.

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This possibility has been previously discussed in New York letters of June 24 and July 11, 1946. Also, there is always the possibility that she will be again approached by Soviet representatives. Present international conditions may strengthen this possibility.

Another course of action would be the systematic interview of the subjects likely to be cooperative or whose interrogation would be likely to produce results.

The accomplishments as far as the Bureau is concerned in being instrumental in forcing various individuals out of the Government service as the result of its investigation have never been made known to the New York Office, but it is believed that numerous subjects in the Government service at the inception of this investigation whose services have since been terminated were so separated because of their past activities and present Communist affiliations or tendencies.

It is believed that information being developed in the Washington Field Office on their subjects still in the Government employ might possibly produce such results in the future, and while it is difficult for this office to thoroughly evaluate such information it is believed of sufficient importance, from an intelligence if not from an espionage standpoint, to make interviews at this time inadvisable.

The third course which is presently being followed would appear to be the continuous investigation of the subjects and their contacts, particularly those still in the U. S. Government employ, and by such investigation to show the continued efforts of the Communists to infiltrate in Government service in secret high positions in an effort to influence our policies, particularly our foreign policies.

At the present time none of the New York subjects is still in the Government employ, and while investigation has failed to reveal any present espionage activities, RAY ELSON and DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN (who may be identical with the unknown subject CHARLIE) are still considered to be key figures in New York. Serious consideration is presently being given to other New York subjects looking toward a recommendation that investigation be discontinued as to those not believed important enough at this time to warrant continued coverage.

The greater number of the subjects appearing in the title of New York report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley dated March 22, 1946, are being investigated in the Washington Field Division, and many of these individuals are still in high Governmental and political positions or have important connections which make their activities of interest to the Bureau from an intelligence, if not from an espionage, standpoint. At the present time very few if any of the New York subjects seem to have connections or

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contact with the Washington subjects. On the other hand, many of the subjects being investigated in the Washington Field Division are related to each other, and much of the investigation being conducted in other field divisions is as a result of leads set out by the Washington Field Division. For this reason it is felt that the Washington Field Division is in the best position to more properly evaluate the information coming to them through their various investigative sources as it relates to other subjects and to the general picture as unfolded by the present investigation.

Information received from GREGORY is and will continue to be furnished as received from her, and she is available should she be contacted in the future by any of her former contacts or by subjects in this case.

Investigation of the key figures in the New York area, as well as the other subjects, is continuing to receive vigorous attention by the New York Office, but for the reasons set out above the Bureau is requested to designate the Washington Field Division as office of origin in this case.

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT,
SAC

cc - Washington Field

October 7, 1946

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Reference is made to New York letter to the Bureau and the Washington Field Office dated September 11, 1946. *u*

Pursuant to the recommendation made in this communication, the Washington Field Office is hereby designated the office of origin for the further investigation of this case. Copies of any serials not already available to Washington Field should immediately be forwarded to Washington by the New York Office. *u*

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[REDACTED] ON EVENING OCTOBER FOUR DAVID WAHL CONTACTED MAGDOFF INDICATING HE IS SELLING HOME AND CARL SUGGESTED DAVE CONTACT MAGDOFF WHO INDICATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE HOUSE, HOWEVER HIS POSITION IS VERY VAGUE, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO EMPLOYMENT AT COMMERCE. ON OCTOBER FIVE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JOE SWEET, NYC, CONTACTED MAGDOFF ADVISING AL FIELDS, NORTH TWO THREE ONE FOUR FIVE, WANTED MAGDOFF TO CONTACT HIM. MAGDOFF COULD NOT RECALL FIELDS AND SWEET DESCRIBED HIM AS THE PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN WHO WORKED WITH JAY DEISS, CHARLIE PLATO, AND BARNEY LEROY IN NYC. FIELDS IS NOW WORKING WITH BARNEY CANAL WITH VOTERS RESEARCH ADDING QUOTE WE HAVE JUST SENT UP A BUSINESS MEN AND WOMEN'S COMMITTEE FOR MEAD AND LEBMAN IN NEW YORK AND HE HAS SOME PLANS HE WANTS YOUR ADVICE ON UNQUOTE. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER MAGDOFF ENDEAVORED TO CONTACT FIELDS TALKING WITH BARNEY CANAL WHO STATED NUMBER OF THEM HAD GOTTEN TOGETHER WITH SAM RUBIN, SPEAKING THE THING. HE MENTIONED VICTOR LEBMAN, PHONETIC, AND NUMBER OTHERS AND COMMITTEE WAS SET UP WITH EMMETT MCCORMACK OF MOORE AND MCCORMACK CHAIRMAN AND WITH THE BLESSING OF PAUL FITZPATRICK. CANAL SAID IT WOULD LIKE TO BRING WHOLE WALLACE PROGRAM TO THE PEOPLE. HE INDICATED RUBIN WOULD BE TREASURER AND HE WANTS TO SIT DOWN WITH WALLACE IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION TO SEE HOW WALLACE THINKS IT CAN BE USED. MONDAY IT WILL COME OUT WITH PROGRAM FOR GETTING VOTERS REGISTERED, AND WILL CONCENTRATE ON CERTAIN INDUSTRIES IN THE CITY SUCH AS TEXTILE AND

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NEEDLE TRADES. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER MAGDOFF CONTACTED SAM RUBIN, CROTON, NEW YORK, THREE ONE ZERO THREE, DISCUSSING PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS ABOVE. RUBIN RELATED EVENTS OF PAST TWENTYFOUR HOURS CONCERNING STATE CAMPAIGN FOR MEAD AND LERMAN. HE STATED CAMPAIGN WAS MORE ANTI DEWEY THAN PRO MEAD AND IT HAD OCCURRED TO THEM THE SMART THING TO DO WAS FILL THIS BIG GAP AS THEY DID IN FORTYFOUR WITH BUSINESS MEN FOR ROOSEVELT. HE STATED HE HAD TWO OF THE BOYS MAKE ROUNDS AT THE BILTMORE WITH MEN LIKE LESTER STONE AND WALTER BROWN AND OTHERS TO SELL THEM ON THE IDEA OF JOINT COMMITTEE AND NOT SPLITTING AMONG THEMSELVES. HE STATED THEY COULD NOT LOCATE FITZPATRICK AND PREPARED TELEGRAM DESCRIBING CONFERENCE WITH VARIOUS DEMOCRATS POINTING OUT JOINT COMMITTEE WAS MORE EFFECTIVE TO CATCH INDEPENDENT VOTE, AND THAT RUBIN WOULD WELCOME DISCUSSION IN FITZPATRICK'S OFFICE OR HIS OWN. HE STATED FOLLOWING MORNING FIELDS RECEIVED CALL FROM SOMEONE AT THE BILTMORE TELLING HIM A BUSINESS MEN'S COMMITTEE MADE UP OF THOSE IN THE BUSINESS MEN FOR ROOSEVELT HAD BEEN FORMED. HE STATED IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER RUBIN RECEIVED CALL FROM ONE BAYERN, PHONETIC, AND ONE EDEN, PHONETIC, WHO INDICATED THEY HAD FULL AUTHORITY AND WITHIN TEN MINUTES THEY CLOSED THE DEAL AND SET UP THE COMMITTEE. RUBIN CONTINUED THAT HE HAD BEEN THINKING IN TERMS OF WALLACE SITUATION AND WONDERING HOW THAT THEY ARE ACCEPTING US SO HEARTFULLY BECAUSE THEY KNOW DAMN WELL WHAT WE CAN DO HOW THEY CAN FILL WHATEVER KIND OF GAP MAY EXIST IN CONNECTION WITH WALLACE. RUBIN THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD IDEA TO TALK OVER CAMPAIGN WITH WALLACE, BARNEY CANAL, AND OTHERS INCLUDING

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MAGDOFF AND AT SAME TIME ESTABLISH OR STRENGTHEN WALLACE'S ROLE. MAGDOFF THOUGHT IT NOT GOOD IDEA TO GET TOGETHER OVER WEEKEND AND HE MUST BE LEFT OUT. MAGDOFF STATED PRESENT STRATEGY WAS FOR ^{HENRY A.} WALLACE NOT TO SPEAK UNLESS BOTH CANDIDATE AND STATE CHAIRMAN WANT HIM. HE ALSO STATED STRATEGY WOULD HAVE TO BE PLANNED BY RUBIN BECAUSE HE HAS BETTER HEAD FOR IT THAN WALLACE. HE STATED THEY WOULD HAVE TO WORK IT OUT WITH FITZPATRICK'S APPROVAL IN FORMAL FASHION IN WHICH STATE COMMITTEE IS INVOLVED. MAGDOFF STATED IMPORTANT THING IS FOR WALLACE TO COME TO PLACES WHERE THERE IS GOOD CHANCE WHERE CANDIDATES IDENTIFY THEMSELVES WITH HIM AND ARE NOT AFRAID OF HIM. RUBIN INQUIRED IF IDEA WAS TO HAVE FITZPATRICK GET WALLACE TO SPEAK AND MAGDOFF AGREED BECAUSE POLITICAL SET UP WAS QUESTION NOT ONLY OF THIS YEAR BUT NEXT COUPLE YEARS. MAGDOFF INDICATED PAUL FITZPATRICK WAS NOT VERY ALERT EVEN ON TRUMAN'S STATEMENT WHICH WAS OBVIOUSLY FOR NEW YORK VOTE, POSSIBLY REFERRING TO TRUMAN'S STATEMENT ON ADMITTING JEWS INTO PALESTINE. HE STATED PAUL DID NOT PUSH THAT THING BUT HANNEGAN IN WASHINGTON AS FAR AS MAGDOFF COULD LEARN. HE STATED BROWN, WHO IS LEHMAN'S MAN, IS FAR MORE ALERT THAN FITZPATRICK. MAGDOFF SUGGESTED RUBIN NOT GET WALLACE IN UNTIL THEY HAVE PUSHED THEIR OWN STRENGTH AROUND AND THE STRATEGY IS IN ORDER TO WIN YOU MUST ACCEPT THE ISSUE WHICH IS PEACE. MAGDOFF MENTIONED WALLACE WAS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK IN INDIANA AND WISCONSIN. RUBIN STATED WALLACE MUST BE ADVERTISED AND KEPT ON THE MARKET LIKE MERCHANDISE. MAGDOFF AGREED

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STATING BARUCH HAD HELPED THEM IN THIS RESPECT AND EXCEPT FOR PAL PHIL HAUSER IT WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH NEATER CASE. [REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] ON OCTOBER FOUR WILLIE MACAVOY CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER STATING CLIFFORD MACAVOY WAS IN BUFFALO. THEY AGREED AFTER ELECTIONS TO GET TOGETHER. BUREAU ADVISED. (f)u

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: October 16, 1946

FROM : J. K. MUMFORD

SUBJECT: GREGORY

Leo Laughlin called to advise that today's bulletin at WAA shows that N. Gregory Silvermaster was transferred on October 9, 1946, to the Office of Real Property Disposal. Not having been previously advised of this, Mr. Laughlin checked discreetly and determined that Silvermaster will assume his new duties tomorrow, October 17, 1946, and will be in charge of planning and research in the Real Property Disposal Office, which is headed by General John J. O'Brien and is located in Annex No. 2, which is near Third and Indiana Avenue.

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September 25, 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

R. Gregory

Please note the attached proposed letter to George Allen concerning Henry Wallace. In this letter Edward Fitzgerald and Harry Maddoff, employees of the Department of Commerce, are specifically characterized as "Soviet espionage agents" and Harry Dexter White also is referred to as "has also been identified as a Soviet espionage agent furnishing information to Soviet Intelligence."

I spoke to Mr. Tamm and told him that I questioned this phraseology; that to the best of my knowledge we cannot prove that any of these persons are "Soviet espionage agents" and that I thought the letter should be changed to indicate that they are suspected of being Soviet espionage agents or suspected of having furnished information to Communists or Soviet representatives.

I think we are making a great mistake in using phraseology such as included in this proposed communication. If these persons have been identified as "Soviet espionage agents" we should recommend legal proceedings against them. Mr. Ladd advises me that the only proof that we have that they are Soviet espionage agents is the statement of the Gregory woman. I do not feel that this is at all sufficient to justify the loose phraseology employed in this communication and I would not approve it under any circumstance.

I agree. I think we must be most circumspect in our phraseology.

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Honorable George E. Allen
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Dear George:

In connection with this Bureau's present investigation of the Soviet underground espionage organization (NKVD) in agencies of the United States Government, information has been received from highly confidential sources of unquestioned reliability concerning the reactions and activities of a number of the subjects of this investigation with regard to the recent resignation of Henry Agard Wallace.

On the evening of September 19, 1946, Edward Fitzgerald and Harold Magdoff had a lengthy conference regarding Wallace's speech on foreign policy, his previous letter to the President, and his future course of action as a result thereof. Fitzgerald and Magdoff have been employed by the Department of Commerce for sometime and both of them have indicated numerous contacts with former Secretary Wallace. Magdoff is known to have stated that he is particularly close to Wallace and considers himself one of Wallace's consistent advisor. In addition, an admitted Soviet espionage agent who for many years was an important link in the underground Soviet espionage organization in agencies of the United States Government, has advised that both Magdoff and Fitzgerald at least until late 1944 were furnishing a large amount of highly important and confidential information procured by virtue of their government employment to the Soviet Intelligence Service through this admitted Soviet agent.

At the time of the above conference on September 19, Fitzgerald and Magdoff discussed the possibilities of a wide circularization of Wallace's letter concerning foreign policy. Fitzgerald stated that the letter should be placed in the hands of, among others, J. Bromley Oxman, the head of the Federal Council of Churches and a Methodist Bishop, who should in turn distribute it to all the churches in the country, suggesting that they hold discussions regarding it. Magdoff agreed with Fitzgerald that this would be an excellent idea, whereupon Fitzgerald said that Wallace could probably get to him (Oxman). Fitzgerald and Magdoff also discussed attempting to secure the assistance of other church representatives in circulating the foreign policy letter.

Magdoff and Fitzgerald, during their conference, discussed also the utilization of Fitzgerald's wife, Rebecca, in making the necessary contacts in this connection and mentioned that perhaps Wallace would desire to accomplish the circularization of the letter indirectly without ever appearing personally in any of the negotiations.

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Honorable George E. Allen

On the morning of September 20, 1946, Harry Dexter White, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and presently an Executive Director of the International Bank for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, conferred with former Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, in connection with the speech made by Wallace and his previous letter to the President. It is known that White is a close associate of a number of other individuals who are presently under investigation in connection with the underground NKVD espionage organization in agencies of the United States Government. (X) u

During their discussion White indicated to Morgenthau that he should now make several speeches in view of the "muzzling" of Wallace. White expressed a desire for Morgenthau to replace Wallace in speeches advocating those things concerning which Wallace had been muzzled, obviously referring to Wallace's views on the United States foreign policy. Morgenthau indicated he would try to work in some of the theme in Wallace's letter in his Chicago speech, apparently a keynote speech to be given by him before the PAC. White advised Morgenthau that he would prepare several paragraphs and see if Morgenthau could incorporate them in this speech. Morgenthau indicated that he was endeavoring to elect "liberal Senators and Congressmen" without hitting too hard at the President. (X) u

Immediately after the announcement of Wallace's resignation, a number of subjects under investigation in connection with this case expressed extreme regret and concern at the news. u

Magdoff, in conversations with several individuals, discussed what could be done to mobilize public support for Wallace in his position on foreign policy. (X) u

On the afternoon of September 21, 1946, Harry Magdoff was in contact with Alfred Van Nessell, who has been closely associated with Magdoff and other individuals who have been involved in this investigation. During this contact, Magdoff expressed considerable bitterness over Wallace's resignation and indicated that efforts were being made by him and by Fitzgerald to gather public support for Wallace. In this connection Magdoff indicated that an individual believed to be Fitzgerald was going to New York to attempt to secure support from the Federal Council of Churches. At this time Magdoff said that the Secretary (Wallace) with all his "screwiness and all his weaknesses" is just really a great man in every way. Magdoff said that "they" worked on his radio address (apparently referring to his speech announcing his resignation) last night and that as they were leaving they were kidding Wallace about what he was going to do when he left the Department. Magdoff continued that someone suggested that Wallace when he left should have everyone who wanted to shake hands go by (X) u

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in a line. According to Magdoff, Wallace rejoined that he could do that but the people in the line better watch out for the FBI. Immediately thereafter Magdoff said: "That guy is no dope. You know that was quite a remark. I didn't realize that he ever thought..." Magdoff also advised Van Tassell that on the morning of September 21, Wallace felt that he had an honor-bound agreement, apparently not to make further foreign policy speeches, but that Magdoff got very upset about it and fussed around until Wallace finally agreed that he did not have such an agreement but that he did not want to create a "complete break with the President." Magdoff said that Wallace must now talk about Greece, about Trieste, and about Germany above all, and must make a speech pointing out the significance of present trends and how they are "tied up with Fascism." In referring to the request for Wallace's resignation, Magdoff discussed the President's action and referred to the President as "that dope." *W*

Subsequently, on the same day, in discussing Wallace's resignation with another individual, Magdoff said that the emphasis of control had shifted almost completely to the hands of the "reactionaries" within the Party, undoubtedly referring to the Democratic Party. (S) 11-

Rebecca Fitzgerald, the wife of Edward Fitzgerald, referred to above, on the night of September 21, 1946, conferred with Harry Magdoff regarding Wallace's resignation at which time Magdoff stated that Wallace's speech announcing his resignation was written by, among others, himself and Edward Fitzgerald, both of whom have been identified above.

On the evening of September 23, 1946, Harry Magdoff discussed with an individual not yet completely identified, the resignation of Henry Wallace. This individual asked Magdoff who wrote Wallace's letter, apparently referring to Wallace's letter to the President concerning foreign policy. In reply Magdoff stated that "he and his gang did." Magdoff also stated that of course Wallace had worked on the material also, at which time the man he was talking to said he could see Wallace's fine hand in it all as well as Harry's ideas.

In view of the nature of the above information and in view of the implication of the individuals mentioned above in the investigation of the underground Soviet espionage organization in agencies of the United States Government, it is felt that the above information will be of interest to the President and you. U

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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GREGORY, ESP R. ON SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED EDWARD FITZGERALD INDICATED HE WOULD VISIT NEW YORK SEPTEMBER TWENTY. ON SAME DATE, FITZGERALD CONVERSED WITH ONE LIZ, POSSIBLY ELIZABETH FRAZER, PHONETIC, PHILADELPHIA, APPARENTLY ENDEAVORING TO SECURE HER COOPERATION IN HAVING CHURCH GROUP PRINT CURRENT LETTER OF SECRETARY HENRY WALLACE TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN CONCERNING FOREIGN POLICY. LIZ INDICATED DOUBT THAT CHURCH GROUP WOULD PRINT CONTROVERSIAL SPEECH BUT STATED THEY MIGHT USE ONE PRINTED BY SOMEONE ELSE AND SUGGESTED UNITED CHRISTIAN COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRACY OR CLID. FITZGERALD STATED HE WOULD FURNISH DOZEN PHOTOSTAT COPIES. FITZGERALD INQUIRED WHETHER THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO OXMAN AND LIZ SUGGESTED YOUNG BILL STAFFORD, JR., WOULD KNOW BETTER THAN SHE. SHE STATED HIS OFFICE IS ONE THREE FIVE LIBERTY STREET, NYC, PHONE RECTOR TWO NINE THREE FIVE ONE AND CLID IS IN SAME OFFICE. FITZGERALD STATED HE WOULD SEE BILL AS HE IS VISITING NEW YORK TOMORROW. FITZGERALD INDICATED THEY HAD TRIED TO STOP WALLACE FROM MAKING MADISON SQUARE GARDEN SPEECH BUT NEWSPAPERS FORCED HIM INTO GOOD POSITION. FITZGERALD ALSO STATED HE BELIEVED THE MAJOR THING TO DO NOW IS TO GET THAT LETTER READ, APPARENTLY MEANING BY U. S. PUBLIC. FITZGERALD STATED OFFICIALLY THEY WERE ABIDING BY THE DECISION THAT QUOTE WE SAY NOTHING UNQUOTE AND HE WAS HANDLING THE LETTER PURELY AS-A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL, AS WALLACE IS VERY STRICT AND DOES NOT WANT TO VIOLATE

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ANY AGREEMENT. ON NIGHT SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, HARRY WHITE ENDEAVORED TO LOCATE ONE HENRY, BELIEVED HENRY MORGENTHAU, NYC, CONVERSING WITH WIFE. WHITE SUGGESTED CURRENT EVENTS MAKE IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE FOR HENRY TO STEP IN ON GROUNDS CIRCUMSTANCES KEEP THIS MAN MUZZLED ^{AND} SINCE HER HUSBAND IS FREE LANCE, HE WILL CARRY THE BALL AND THEY CAN HAVE SOME QUOTE HUM DINGER SPEECHES TO CARRY ON THE MESSAGE THAT IS BEING QUIETED BY VIRTUE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNQUOTE. WHITE REQUESTED HER TO PRESENT MATTER TO HUSBAND AND HAVE HIM CONTACT WHITE NEXT DAY. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, WHITE WAS CONTACTED BY JOE, APPARENTLY JOEL FISHER, OFFICE SOLICITOR, COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, WHO DISCUSSED WALLACE MATTER AND RELATED STRATEGY. JOE REMARKED SECRETARY OF STATE MAY NOT BE WITH US LONG AND SUGGESTED WHITES DINNER GUEST MAY HAVE TOLD HIM. WHITE REPLIED THAT HE HAD MENTIONED THAT THE FEELING WAS IN THE DIRECTION OF VICTORY IN THIS CONNECTION. FROM CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, DINNER GUEST REFERRED TO IS DAVID KARR, REPORTER FOR DREW PEARSON. JOE THEN SUGGESTED FUTURE STRATEGY CONCERNING RETURN OF KYRNES AND HIS COMPANIONS, INDICATING THEY MIGHT APPEAR IN THE ROLL OF MARTYRS WHOSE POSITION HAD BEEN UNDERMINED AND SABOTAGED. WHITE INDICATED HE PLANNED TO VISIT JOES BOSS MORNING SEPTEMBER TWENTY AND REFERRED TO BIG BOSS RATHER THAN HAROLD YOUNG, FISHERS IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR. WHITE STATED HE INTENDED TO SUGGEST DURING NEXT FEW WEEKS WALLACE SHOULD WRITE A PAMPHLET EXPANDING AND DISCUSSING ENTIRE ISSUE WHICH COULD BE PUBLISHED LATER WITH LOT OF PRE PUBLICITY WHICH WOULD POINT OUT WALLACE COULD NOT

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MAKE SPEECHES. WHITE INDICATED HE HAD IN MIND PAMPHLET WHICH COULD COMPRISE ONE HUNDRED PAGES AND SELL FOR TWENTY FIVE OR FIFTY CENTS. JOE WAS IN ENTHUSIASTIC ACCORD SUGGESTING WALLACE HAD SOME BOYS AVAILABLE WHO COULD DO WONDERFUL JOB AND JOE WOULD BE GLAD TO HELP AND WOULD BRING WHITE IN. HE BELIEVED WALLACE HAD THE TIME TO PRODUCE SOMETHING WHICH WOULD CIRCULATE LIKE QUOTE ONE WORLD UNQUOTE. JOE ALSO STATED HIS IDEA INCLUDED CIRCULATION OF AS MANY COPIES OF WALLACES LETTER AS POSSIBLE AND HE STATED NCAPC HAVE ALREADY BEGUN. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY, HENRY, IDENTIFIED BY VOICE AS HENRY MORGENTHAU, CONTACTED WHITE EIGHT A.M. WHITE INDICATED THIS IS THE TIME FOR HENRY TO MAKE TWO OR THREE SPEECHES. MORGENTHAU STATED HIS JOB WOULD BE TO GET SOME LIBERAL CONGRESSMEN ELECTED AND HE DESIRED SOME HELP ON THE SPEECHES WHICH WHITE PROMISED. HE INDICATED HE DID NOT WANT TO ~~HURT~~ ^{HURT} TRUMAN BUT AT SAME TIME DESIRES TO GET ACROSS POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY ON WHICH THE THREE POLITICAL GROUPS ARE WORKING JOINTLY. MORGENTHAU SUGGESTED FOREIGN ARGUMENTS SHOULD CONCERN DISARMAMENT AND THE ATOMIC BOMB. WHITE EXPRESSED DESIRE FOR MORGENTHAU TO REPLACE WALLACE AND TALK ON THOSE THINGS CONCERNING WHICH WALLACE HAS BEEN MUZZLED. MORGENTHAU INDICATED HE WOULD MAKE KEYNOTE SPEECH IN CHICAGO WEEK FROM SATURDAY AND MENTIONED MRS. ROOSEVELT HAD DECLINED TO MAKE THIS SPEECH. MORGENTHAU INDICATED HE WOULD TRY AND WORK IN SOME OF THE THEME IN WALLACES LETTER IN CHICAGO SPEECH. MORGENTHAU MENTIONED HE HAD MAN NAMED ~~HARTLEY~~ ^{HARTLEY}, PHONETIC, ASSISTING HIM ON SPEECH. WHITE STATED HE WOULD DRAFT A

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FEW PARAGRAPHS AND SEE IF MORGENTHAU COULD INCORPORATE THEM IN HIS SPEECH. HE INDICATED ~~ANN WHITE~~ WOULD ASSIST IN THE SPEECH. MORGENTHAU REPEATED HE WAS ENDEAVORING TO ELECT LIBERAL SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN WITHOUT HITTING TOO HARD AT TRUMAN. IMMEDIATELY AFTER ABOVE CONVERSATION, WHITE CONTACTED JOEL FISHER, ADVISING HIM OF MORGENTHAU CONVERSATION AND STATED MORGENTHAU NEEDED SOME MATERIAL BY MONDAY. WHITE SUGGESTED THEY GET TOGETHER WITH DAVE, PROBABLY DAVID KARR, FOR CHECK. FISHER STATED PERHAPS HE COULD GET HAROLD AND HENRY TO RELEASE THE ONE THEY WORKED ON THE OTHER NIGHT, POSSIBLY REFERRING TO HAROLD YOUNG AND HENRY WALLACE RELEASING SPEECH PREVIOUSLY PREPARED FOR HENRY WALLACE. IT IS NOTED THE ABOVE CONVERSATIONS ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY OCCURRED BETWEEN EIGHT AND EIGHT THIRTY A.M. PRIOR TO REQUEST BY PRESIDENT FOR WALLACE RESIGNATION.

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(C) ON SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, INFORMANT ADVISED b1
SUBJECT MILLER CONTACTED CHEMICAL BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, ONE SIX FIVE BROADWAY, NYC, INQUIRING OF MR. MAZoola, PHONETIC, WHETHER MR. FRENCH HAD TAKEN ACTION ON HIS LETTER REQUESTING FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR LOAN.

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FROM : Guy Hottel, SAC, Washington Field
SUBJECT: GREGORY
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DATE: August 30, 1946

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In connection with subject case, Dr. EUGENE MICHAEL KULISCHER has been in contact with known subjects of this case and considerable investigation is being made of his activities by this office.

Information received by this office from the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization reflects that Dr. KULISCHER was born in Kiev, Russia, on August 22, 1881, and that he married OLGA MARGOLIN at Rostov, Russia, on December 29, 1915. He has a daughter named NELLIE NATALIE KULISCHER CARLTON who was born at Kiev, Russia, November 3, 1919.

OLGA KULISCHER

In his application for an immigration visa dated June 4, 1941, at Marseille, France, he indicated that he lived in Berlin, Germany, from 1920 to 1935; Copenhagen, Denmark, 1935 to 1936; Boulogne, France, 1936 to 1941. It is known that while in France he worked for about five years for the French National Center of Scientific Research in Paris as a researcher. An address used by his wife while living in France is 93 Avenue des Moulineaux, Boulogne 1/Seine, France.

It is requested that the Bureau obtain whatever information may be available.

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It has been determined that Dr. Eugene Michael Kulischer is a known contact of various subjects in this case and considerable investigation is being made concerning his activities.

According to the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service Dr. Kulischer was born in Kiev, Russia, on August 22, 1881, and he married Olga Margolin at Rostov, Russia, on December 29, 1915. He has a daughter named Nellie Natalie Kulischer Carlton who was born in Kiev, Russia, on November 3, 1919.

In his application for an Immigration visa dated June 4, 1941, at Marseille, France, Dr. Kulischer indicated that he lived in Berlin, Germany, from 1920 to 1935; Copenhagen, Denmark, from 1935 to 1936; Boulogne, France, from 1936 to 1941. It is known that while in France he was employed for approximately five years for the French National Center of Scientific Research in Paris as a research worker. An address used by his wife while residing in France was 93 Avenue des Moulineaux, Boulogne 1/Seine, France.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON OCTOBER NINE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED MARY

JANE TOLD BEA, PROBABLY BEA SCHWARTZ, THAT SHE HAD VISITED PORDECAI AND
LUCILLE EZEKIEL PREVIOUS SATURDAY. EZEKIEL IS IMPORTANT OFFICIAL AGRICULTURE
DEPARTMENT AND WAS SUBJECT HATCH ACT INVESTIGATION. ON OCTOBER TEN INFORMANT
ADVISED KEENEY CONTACTED DOROTHY HORTMAN, DORIS PLENN, ALIX REUTHER, AND
ETHEL ALPHER. IN CONVERSATION WITH REUTHER THEY DISCUSSED MICHAEL GREENBERG'S
BEING OUT OF JOB AND MARY JANE STATED REASON WAS THIS BUSINESS, THEREAFTER
MENTIONING VERY SIGNIFICANT ARTICLE IN WASHINGTON POST REFLECTING CHARGES
BY U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO GOVERNMENT AND
LABOR MOVEMENT. ALIX EXPRESSED CERTAINTY HER DAYS WERE NUMBERED BUT STATED
DAMNED IF SHE WOULD RESIGN.

[REDACTED SECTION]

ON MORNING OCTOBER TEN ISHBE LEE MENTIONED
RECORDED & INDEXED
DUNCAN LEE IS IN NEW YORK. ON OCTOBER NINE INFORMANT ADAM SEIDENADOFF AND
UNKNOWN MAN HAD LENGTHY CONVERSATION CONCERNING CONFERENCE BETWEEN SECRETARY
AVERILL HARRIMAN AND DIVISION CHIEFS AND STAFF MEMBERS, COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.
HARRIMAN WAS QUOTED AS CONCERNED ABOUT TWO QUESTIONS. HE RECOGNIZED NEED
FOR STAFF BUT DID NOT WANT IT TO INTERFERE WITH ALLIED RELATIONS.

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[SECONDLY HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT SPLIT BETWEEN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COMMODITIES. APPARENTLY HARRIMAN ALSO WAS DISPLEASED WITH STAFF PARTICIPATING ON WALLACE LETTER. THEY AGREED HARRIMAN WAS CAGEY OPERATOR. ON OCTOBER NINE INFORMANT ADVISED ULLMANN TOLD HELEN SILVERMASTER HE SAW IRVING THAT DAY. HE INDICATED IRVING WAS NOT EXCITED ABOUT HIS JOB BUT SOMEWHAT EXCITED ABOUT SOME OF THE NEW EMPLOYEES OVER THERE. HELEN INQUIRED QUOTE OUR FRIENDS UNQUOTE AND ULLMANN INDICATED YES. ON OCTOBER NINE FRANK COE MADE LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT WITH SILVERMAN AT FAN AND BILL'S RESTAURANT, INDICATING HE WOULD BREAK LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT WITH BILL TAYLOR AND SHUMAKER, PHONETIC, WHICH HE HAD THAT DAY. ENGAGEMENT COVERED BY PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE. ON OCTOBER NINE MARY WHEELER CONFERRED WITH ISABEL LEE STATING BELIEVED DONALD WHEELER WOULD SETTLE DOWN IN WASHINGTON FOR AWHILE DOING FREE LANCING. DURING THIS CONVERSATION ISABEL MENTIONED DUNCAN LEE WOULD BE IN NEW YORK SATURDAY. IN LATER CONVERSATION MARY MENTIONED WHEELER IS DOING PROJECT FOR BOB NATHAN WHICH SHOULD LAST UNTIL FEBRUARY ONE. BUREAU ADVISED.]

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINE FITZGERALD ADVISED MAGDOFF HE WOULD VISIT NEW YORK TUESDAY FOR FEW DAYS DUE TO DEATH OF HIS UNCLE. MAGDOFF INDICATED HE WOULD LEAVE WASHINGTON ELEVEN P.M. FOR BOSTON ON OFFICE BUSINESS, WHICH TRIP HE COULD NOT AVOID. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYEIGHT MAGDOFF ADVISED UNIDENTIFIED MAN THAT HAROLD YOUNG WANTS BERNAZE, PHONETIC, TO DO ANALYSIS OF LETTERS. HE STATED BERNAZE IS FELLOW WHO ADVERTISES IN NEW REPUBLIC. MAGDOFF AGREED WITH HIS FRIEND THAT BERNAZE WOULD NOT DO GOOD JOB AND MAGDOFF STATED HE WOULD HAVE DONE THE WORK FOR NOTHING. MAGDOFF STATED HANFORD PRESS IS PUBLISHING THE PAMPHLETS AND MENTIONED WALLACE HAD TAKEN PREFACE TO REWRITE IT HIMSELF. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYEIGHT PHILIP HAUSER CONTACTED MAGDOFF AND ENGAGED IN LENGTHY DISCUSSION CONCERNING CONFERENCE BETWEEN WALLACE AND HAUSER AND BERNARD BARUCH GROUP INCLUDING WANCOCK AND BERSTADT. APPARENTLY PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE WAS TO OBTAIN STATEMENT FROM WALLACE ADMITTING ERROR IN RECENTLY PUBLICIZED LETTER TO PRESIDENT CONCERNING MATTERS AFFECTING ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE OR AT LEAST A JOINT MEMORANDUM RECONCILING DIFFERENCES. MAGDOFF VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED WALLACE'S SIGNING ANY STATEMENT AND URGED STAND IN OPPOSITION BARUCH GROUP APPARENTLY SUPPORTING RUSSIAN VIEW U. S. SHOULD DESTROY ALL BOMBS AND DISCONTINUE MANUFACTURING AS PRELIMINARY TO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT. THEREAFTER MAGDOFF DISCUSSED ABOVE MATTER WITH

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SUBJECT FITZGERALD, SUBJECT ~~KAPLAN~~, AND ~~VEET~~ ~~BASSIE~~ AT LENGTH. IN CONVERSATION WITH WIFE, MAGDOFF INDICATED NORTON ~~LONG~~, FHA, HAD CONTACTED HIM INDICATING THERE WAS CANDLE IN WINDOW FOR ~~HARRY~~, PRESUMABLY MEANING JOB OPENING WITH FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYEIGHT INFORMANT ADVISED
ROSA HANNAH, PHONETIC, FORMERLY SECRETARY AMERICAN RUSSIAN INSTITUTE,
CONTACTED MILLER STATING SHE JUST RETURNED FROM NEW YORK WHERE SHE WAS
JOB HUNTING AT UNITED NATIONS. HOWEVER, UN IS NOT TAKING MORE AMERICAN
CITIZENS SINCE NINETY PER CENT OF PERSONNEL ARE AMERICANS. ROSA MENTIONED

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TALKING WITH POLYA HABICHT AND STATED EVERYONE IN NEW YORK INQUIRED ABOUT HERMAN HABICHT, ESPECIALLY JOHN ROTHSCHILD. HANNAH INDICATED AMERICAN RUSSIAN INSTITUTE HAS THEIR OWN BUILDING AT FIFTY EIGHT PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK. HOWEVER ALL PERSONNEL ARE NEW INCLUDING NEW DIRECTOR FRED XILES.

ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINE ERNA ROSENBERG INDICATED ALLAN ROSENBERG WAS GOING TO NEW YORK THAT NIGHT CONCERNING RADIO PROJECTS OF CIO, UAW, AND AMALGAMATED. SHE STATED ALLAN SATLER, EMIL SOLEMAN, AND HOWARD FRANKS WOULD BE THERE AND LAST NAMED HAD INVITED ROSENBERG UP. ERNA INDICATED UAW HAD TROTTED STATIONS IN LOS ANGELES AND NEWARK AND AMALGAMATED IN PHILADELPHIA APPARENTLY DUE TO FUND SHORTAGE. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYSIX CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED SILVERMAN INFORMED OSCAR ALTMAN THAT JERRY AUERBACH, NYC, HAD OFFERED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER MONTH IN NEW YORK AND HE WAS CONSIDERING THIS IN ADDITION TO SEVENTYFIVE HUNDRED OFFER FROM MAYOR O'DWYER. SILVERMAN PLANS TO VISIT NEW YORK AGAIN THIS COMING WEEK. ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYSEVEN FLORENCE WAGNER CONFERRED WITH SILVERMAN STATING SHE HAD NICEST TALK WITH HARRY WHITE WHO IS WONDERFUL PERSON. FROM CONVERSATION FLORENCE IS NOW EMPLOYED AS ONE OF SECRETARIES WITH INTERNATIONAL BANK. SHE MENTIONED POOR FRANK COE IS TERRIBLY BUSY. BUREAU ADVISED. & u

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RE: Title GREGORY

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1. Name and address of subject:
P. BERNARD WORTMAN
411 Brook Drive
Falls Church, Virginia
2. Location of technical operation:

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject:

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5. Adequacy of security:

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6. Type of case involved:

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7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

Important subject in Gregory case believed to be NKVD agent. Believed to be a dues collector for "Underground Government Communist Group."

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8. Specific information being sought:

Contacts and activities of subject *X u*

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

Due to numerous contacts and meetings it is believed these appointments are made prior to the date and time and this will enable agents to completely plan surveillances and investigations.

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10. Importance of case and subject:

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11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means (Explain in detail):

Impossible due to the general nature of the neighborhood.
There is inadequate cover for physical surveillances.

~~X~~ u

12. Risks of detection involved:

negative

~~X~~ u

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

sixty days

~~X~~ u

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency):

no

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15. Remarks:

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16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

It is known that P. Bernard Nortman, an employee of the State Department, visited the offices of ^{subject} Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein, a dentist in New York City, on March 11, 1946, and it is further known that he has been in contact with this office subsequent to that date. Nortman is likewise a known contact of Victor Perlo, another subject in the Gregory case. In view of these contacts and the fact that he still is a State Department employee, it is believed that a technical surveillance on his residence will materially assist the Washington Field Office in determining his activities and the nature of his contacts.

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It is, therefore, recommended that the requested technical surveillance be authorized for a limited period of time.

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17. Recommendation of Assistants to the Director:

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Mr. Ladd
Mr. Donohue
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

P. BERNARD NORTMAN

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In connection with the current investigation concerning known and suspected Soviet espionage agents in the United States, it has been learned that P. Bernard Nortman, who is presently employed in the Economic Security Control Office, United States Department of State, and who resides at 411 Brook Drive, Falls Church, Virginia, is suspected of being engaged in Soviet espionage activities.

Nortman is a known contact of subjects in the Gregory case about which you have been previously furnished information and which concerns the underground Soviet espionage organization in agencies of the United States Government.

I deem it advisable, therefore, that you authorize a technical surveillance on the residence of P. Bernard Nortman at 411 Brook Drive, Falls Church, Virginia, telephone, Falls Church 2508-W, in order to determine the extent of his espionage activities and, further, to determine the identities of his contacts.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Had Lynn, State Dept, has no objections to tech on Nortman 10:45 am 10-22-46 JHJ

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
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United States Department of Justice

Washington Field Office
Room 1706, Department of
Justice Building
Washington 25, D. C.

August 8, 1946

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ON

4-27-83
3042 PWS/MS 2/23/88

STRICTLY PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director, FBI

RE: GREGORY
ESPIONAGE - R
(INTERNAL FRICTION IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT)

Dear Sir:

The information hereinafter set out is designed to reflect a picture of the present controversy in the State Department with reference to its subversive element. These data were voluntarily supplied to Special Agent JEROME M. GARLAND of this office by [redacted]

[redacted] requests that these data under no circumstances be revealed to any person outside the Bureau.

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JAMES F.

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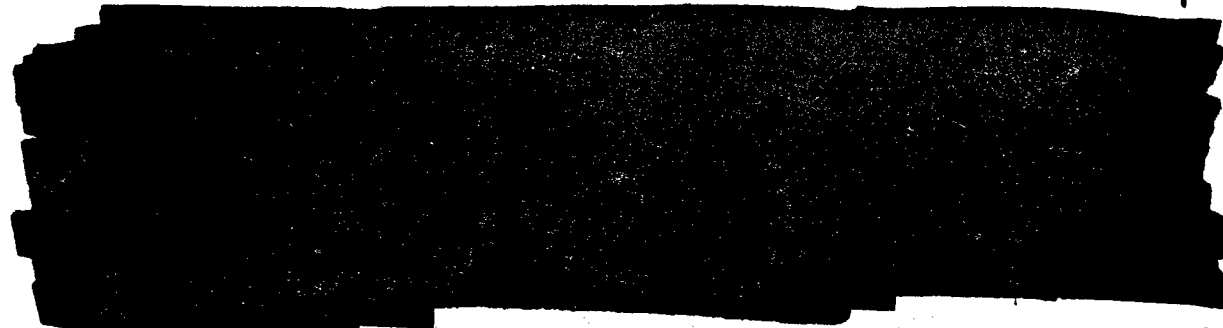
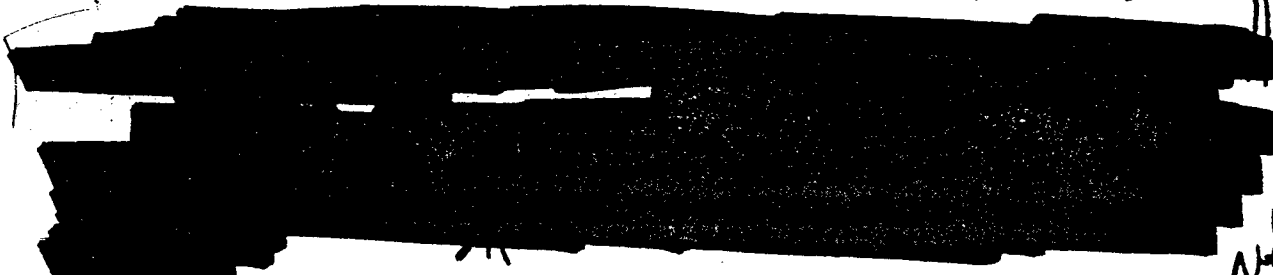
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Director, FBI
RE: GREGORY
ESPIONAGE - R
(INTERNAL FRICTION IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT)
August 8, 1946
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If any doubt exists as to the stand Mr. LUNNING may take in matters regarding personnel security, attention is invited to investigation conducted in the GREGORY case. In this connection, it is noted that Mr. LUNNING is socially acquainted with MAURICE HALPERIN, ALLAN ROSENBERG, PHILIP DUNAWAY, DAVID WAHL and others. He is also believed to have been visited, on a recent occasion, by JULIUS JOSEPH JOSEPH. LUNNING is a naturalized citizen, having been born in Denmark on May 14, 1910.



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Director, FBI
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In the event additional data are obtained, they will be promptly afforded the Bureau; however, no attempt will be made to actively solicit information in this connection unless the Bureau so instructs.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL
SAC

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : E. G. FITCH

SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE
ESPIONAGE - R
(Internal Friction in the State Department)

September 1946

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Reference is made to the attached letter from the Washington Field Office of August 8, 1946, concerning information obtained regarding a secret security committee in the State Department being set up by Mr. Samuel Klaus.

Pursuant to your request Mr. Roach has checked on this matter with Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department, who advised that he has heard of such a committee being formed, but that at the present time it is merely "on paper," and has never held any meetings. Concerning membership of the committee, Mr. Lyon stated he had no knowledge of those individuals who are on or may be on the committee, but stated he would check into this matter and keep the Bureau informed of all developments.

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ESPIONAGE - R
(Refer 5 IS)File # 65-56402
Lab. # FC-18296 FA

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Date of reference communication: let 8-3-46

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Examination by: ZIMERS

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R, REFER FIVE IS. RE MAURICE HALPERIN, SUBJECTS
FURNITURE MOVED FROM WAREHOUSE OCT SIXTEEN TO FOUR THREE EIGHT CROWN
ST., BKLYN, WHICH WILL BE SUBJECT PERMANENT HOME. FILE CABINET
WAS OBSERVED BEING CARRIED INTO HOUSE. [MAIL COVER PLACED THAT DATE
AND ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE.]

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cc - Mr. Donohue

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October 8, 1946

SEC 7 - AIR COURIER

To:

Mr. Heber M. Clegg
Special Assistant to the Ambassador
The American Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

From:

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Re:

GREGORY (Bernard Sidney Redmont)
Espionage - R; Refer 518

Reference is made to the radiogram in the above case dated September 13, 1946, from the Rio de Janeiro Office to the Bureau and Buenos Aires. Enclosed are two copies of a photograph of Redmont for each of the offices receiving copies of this communication. u

Enclosure

cc - Legal Attache

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

cc - Legal Attache

Montevideo, Uruguay

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cc - SIS European Desk

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F.B.I. RADIOGRAM

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FROM RIO DE JANEIRO

9-13-46

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GREGORY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓
 FROM : L. B. Nichols
 SUBJECT: BERNARD S. REDMONT

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David Lawrence called yesterday, stating that he had received a further message from Redmont stating that Virginia Prewitt declines to reveal the identity of her source and that he has no authority to press her; that she stated her story was based both on oral information and written memoranda from a Britisher. At least three British journalists of the Buenos Aires Herald and Standard and a correspondent of the London News Chronicle, Monica Millward, knew of the story before it broke. Redmont now admits that it is possible that Monica Millward, who did the translation on the Uruguayan survey for World Report, could have used his office files without his knowledge while she was working in the office, and when questioned by Redmont she admitted that it was possible but would not say whether she did or did not. Millward further advised him that she had a report on the Legion speech from other British journalists who were present at a dinner, as well as a high Argentine foreign office official and a former banker, but like other correspondents she did not use this for publication. Redmont concluded his message by asking whether Lawrence had requested an apology from Messersmith.

Lawrence stated they were replying by stating that they were not in a position to ask Messersmith for an apology until he or they can clear up how a copy of his August 5 memorandum was so minutely paraphrased in Virginia Prewitt's story of September 4, and suggested that Redmont press his investigation.

Lawrence stated that he was having lunch with Dean Acheson yesterday and was going to lay the whole facts before him. Lawrence called me yesterday afternoon and stated that he had talked to Dean Acheson. Acheson was somewhat amazed and he asked Acheson whether he should make available to Messersmith the exchange in correspondence he has had with Redmont, along with a copy of the memorandum reporting Messersmith's off-the-record conference. Acheson said that this should be done by all means and suggested that Lawrence communicate with the Bureau and have the Bureau place this material in Messersmith's hands. I asked Lawrence why Acheson was not willing to send it down himself. He stated that it was his reaction that Acheson made the decision because if the State Department got mixed up in this they would have to take cognizance of Messersmith's off-the-record speech. I told him we would be glad to send it down.

He stated that when it was presented to Messersmith he thought that it should be presented on an off-the-record, confidential basis and at the same time he should be told that access to the files of the World Report has been given to the State Department, without mentioning a specific conversation with Acheson.

He stated that they have all but accused Redmont of

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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson

giving it out and Redmont has not appeared to be sufficiently indignant and has not emphasized sufficient surprise, amazement or regret, and he is confident that any sane person reading the Virginia Prewitt article and the memorandum submitted by Redmont must come to the conclusion that Redmont's memorandum was the source of Prewitt's story. Lawrence is still afraid that if they fire Redmont on the basis of this and if Redmont is playing to the Communists and the Russians he will turn around and make a stink and probably do more harm than his dismissal would do good, but he has come to the conclusion that Messersmith should have the advantage of the exchange of correspondence he has had with Redmont.

He also stated that he has pressed Father ~~Cronin~~* further to identify his source of information on the fact that Redmont was a Communist. He has also suggested to Father Cronin that if he does not desire to communicate with him to advise the Bureau. Father Cronin has bluntly stated that his source of information is no longer in the Bureau. I think consideration might very well be given to us interviewing Father Cronin outright as to where he got this information. My feeling is that probably he has it from some other source and is conveying the impression that he is getting information from the Bureau.

A letter to the Legal Attache in Buenos Aires is attached.

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FROM BUENOS AIRES

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GREGORY. REDMONT MADE SPEECH TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS GROUP, AMERICAN WOMENS CLUB BUENOS AIRES SEPTEMBER 17 COVERED BY STENOGRAPHER MILDRED EHREDT IN WHICH HE STATED AMERICANS SHOULD STUDY OWN ACTIONS THRU RUSSIAN EYES AS LISTED: (A) SOLE CONTROL ATOMIC BOMB AND ITS INCREASED MANUFACTURE. (B) LARGEST PEACETIME ARMY IN HISTORY AND NAVY EQUAL TO ALL OTHERS IN WORLD. (C) PRESS AND RADIO CAMPAIGN TO SPREAD SUSPICION AND UNFRIENDLYNESS TOWARD RUSSIA. (D) ARCTIC WARFARE STUDIES AND FLEET MANEUVERS NEAR RUSSIA. (E) MAINTAINING ARMED FORCES AT GATES OF RUSSIA IN MANCHURIA. (F) A CHURCH OFFERING TO LEAD HOLY WAR AGAINST RUSSIA. (G) ALLOWING ADMIRAL TO SAY QUOTE WE WILL GO ANYWHERE WE DAMN WELL PLEASE UNQUOTE. REDMONT SAID IF RUSSIA WAS DOING ALL THIS GENERALISSIMO TRUMAN AND FOREIGN COMMISSAR BYRNES SHOULD WORK DAY AND NIGHT THAT UNITED STATES WOULD HAVE FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS IN CAPITALS FROM CANADA TO ARGENTINA. AT COCKTAIL PARTY SEPTEMBER 18 HE TRIED SHAKE HANDS WITH MESSERSMITH BUT LATTER REFUSED AND OPENLY ACCUSED REDMONT OF TRANSMITTING OFF RECORD REMARKS INACCURATELY AT WHICH REDMONT BECAME INCENSED AND SAID HE WOULD ASK WORLD REPORT TO DEMAND APOLOGY FROM AMBASSADOR. THUS FAR WE ARE UNABLE TO SECURE COVERAGE REDMONT'S CABLES AS HE USES PRESS WIRELESS, GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED HERE WITH NO UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES. WOULD APPRECIATE YOU ADVISE CONTENTS COMMUNICATION SENT BY REDMONT RE THIS INCIDENT.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON ✓

DATE: 9/28/46

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: BERNARD S. REDMONT

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On September 25th, David Lawrence called. He stated that he had sent a telegram to Redmont pointing out he understood Redmont had made the speech, that this was contrary to their rules and for him to send in a summary immediately. Redmont replied by stating he was sorry, he did not know he had violated the rule, that a summary was being placed in the mail. On the same day Lawrence received a detailed memorandum from Redmont pointing out that at a recent reception which was attended by Ambassador Messersmith, he had walked up to the Ambassador and held out his hand to shake hands. Messersmith refused to shake hands with him and immediately stated he was responsible for the news story that was sent to Pravda and the Federated Press. The Ambassador accused him flatly of this and of misrepresenting his speech. Redmont told the Ambassador that he could not have sent the story, that he had never violated any off-the-record remarks and he felt the Ambassador should investigate before making accusations. The Ambassador replied that other people were taking care of that.

Redmont then pointed out to Lawrence that the American news men in Buenos Aires considered Messersmith's outburst as unbecoming and a reflection on the American press corps, inasmuch as in the press conference the Ambassador had also stated that Redmont had sent the story out. Redmont further told Lawrence that the news correspondents were aware of the remarks made by Messersmith, were sure he had made them and now felt Messersmith was trying to find a "scapegoat." He further stated that on September 19th, W. W. Copland of the United Press, and a Mr. McAuloy of AP, called on Messersmith and expressed complete confidence in Redmont. At this conference, according to Redmont, Messersmith stated that, conceivably, Redmont might not have been responsible for this, that an investigation was now in process and that the source of the story could very well not have been Buenos Aires or Rio, as Messersmith knew other papers had the story and he had information that the British had a stenographic copy of his speech. The correspondents then told Messersmith they hoped Redmont would not be banned from future press conferences. Messersmith replied that the doors were open to Redmont and that, in short, Redmont's name had been cleared.

Redmont, in his memorandum to Lawrence, further stated that he regarded Messersmith's statements as an attack on the press. He then asked Lawrence for a fill-in on what had been done here. Lawrence stated he had come to the conclusion that maybe Redmont was not responsible but that his desk was rifled or that his secretary, an Argentine newspaperman of German background, might have slipped the story out.

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Lawrence stated he was now convinced the time had arrived when they should confront Redmont with the similarity of the Virginia Prewitt and the Tass story which follow almost verbatim the paragraphs in Redmont's memorandum. I of course did not take any position on this with Lawrence.

Around midnight on September 27th, Lawrence called again. He stated that they had sent Redmont a wire referring to his memorandum of September 20, requesting that in order to aid Lawrence in analyzing the situation, he answer questions as to whether he showed his memorandum of August 6, reporting the off-the-record remarks, to anybody in Buenos Aires, how many copies of the memorandum were made, the names of the persons who read it and the dates. He received a reply from Redmont stating he did not show his memorandum of August 6th to anybody except his wife and his assistant. He stated he did not send copies to anybody, that he made an original which he sent to Lawrence and one copy for the office file. He said he had discussed this only with his wife and assistant, both of whom he believed to be trustworthy. You will recall, in this connection, that our information is that Redmont's wife, Joan Redmont, is suspected of being mixed up with Soviet espionage. Lawrence stated they were now sending back a wire to Redmont accepting everything he had said, but that they were still puzzled because of the fact that the Virginia Prewitt story and the ~~Tass story~~ ^{News Record} paralleled Redmont's memorandum and they desired his explanation of this. Lawrence stated he now feels that Redmont's secretary, the Argentine newspaperman, seeing what was in the memorandum, saw an opportunity to make some money, sold the contents of the memorandum to the Tass people and the Tass people then sent it out of Buenos Aires or, conceivably, gave it to Virginia Prewitt since she, in her story, says that Tass sent out the story. Lawrence said this is the only explanation he has to account for Redmont's categorical denials.

He further stated he had talked to Father Cronin. Father Cronin indicated he had been informed that Redmont was a Communist and sent copies of his reports to someone in New York. Father Cronin inferred that he had this information from the FBI. When Father Cronin was contacted by David Lawrence he stated he had tried, but was unable to check back further on this. I told Lawrence he should try to pin Cronin down for the source of his information and ask him flatly if the information came from the FBI, and if Father Cronin would not tell him, to suggest that he, Cronin, contact somebody in the FBI and tell us where it came from.

Lawrence wanted us to call him if we received any further information. I told him we would keep it in mind.

David Lawrence called me about midnight Saturday at home. He stated he had received a radiogram from Redmont stating Redmont

had read the Virginia Prewitt article for the first time and that he could see where they would draw conclusions, that Virginia Prewitt had told him her source was a Britisher and that she was communicating directly with Lawrence. Lawrence then received a radiogram from Virginia Prewitt, who denied ever having seen Redmont's report, that her source was a Britisher, that the American press delegates in Buenos Aires were all advised of Messersmith's speech and held Redmont in high esteem and regard.

Redmont in his wire asked Lawrence to investigate the Britisher with a view of clearing him, Redmont, particularly since it was agreed among the press quarters that he was being persecuted by Messersmith. Lawrence now seems to feel that Redmont has cleared himself, although he still has his fingers crossed on him.

The thought occurs that conceivably Redmont is giving Lawrence a line. The fact that Virginia Prewitt sent her wire to Lawrence indicates a close connection between the two; also, it would appear that Virginia Prewitt, knowing full well that it was an off-the-record speech, has violated the confidence of the Ambassador.

It is suggested that it might be well to consider sending our people in BA a resume of the foregoing so that it might be communicated to the Ambassador, as it is entirely possible that Redmont was telling one story to Lawrence which might not be consistent with the facts.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: October 2, 1946

FROM : C. H. Carson

SUBJECT: BERNARD S. REDMONT
GREGORY CASE

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Reference is made to my memorandum of September 20, 1946. The Legal Attache in Buenos Aires has requested that he be advised of the nature of Redmont's memorandum to World Report concerning an incident on September 18, 1946, when Ambassador Messersmith refused to shake hands with him and openly accused him of inaccurately transmitting off-the-record remarks.

The desired information was obtained by Assistant Director L. B. Nichols in conversations with David Lawrence of World Report as set forth in Mr. Nichols' memorandum dated September 28 which is attached hereto. A summary of the information obtained by Mr. Nichols is set forth in the attached suggested radiogram to Buenos Aires with authorization to the Legal Attache to furnish the information to Ambassador Messersmith in strictest confidence.

Redmont still strongly denies responsibility for release of the Ambassador's off-the-record remarks and stated that American newsmen feel that the Ambassador's outburst was unbecoming, a reflection on the American press corps, that the Ambassador made the remarks and is now looking for a "scapegoat". Ambassador Messersmith is greatly interested in this matter and would no doubt appreciate being advised of Redmont's version as obtained by Mr. Nichols. In the past the Ambassador has kept confidences placed in him by the Bureau.

ACTION:

It is recommended that the attached radiogram be sent to the Legal Attache in Buenos Aires for the strictly confidential information of Ambassador Messersmith.

Attachment

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MEMO TO LL

From MR Buenos Aires 8-6-46

(NOTE This is an off-the-record summary of the frankest pronouncement made by Ambassador George Messersmith since his arrival in Buenos Aires two months ago. It summarizes an off-the-record address which the Ambassador delivered last night (8-5-46) to about 40 Americans at the monthly dinner of the American Legion, Buenos Aires Post. The meeting was not open to the press; remarks were completely "in the family" and WORLD REPORT'S correspondent was the only newsmen present, since he attended as a member of the American Legion.)

Ambassador George Messersmith believes that a war against Russia is inevitable and this is the central theme that dominates his mission in Buenos Aires.

He made this clear in an off-the-record address to members of the American Legion post in Buenos Aires on Monday night, August 5, 1946, at the American Club.

Messersmith implied, but he did not say specifically, that his thinking is shared by the top policy makers of the Department of State.

In the Ambassador's opinion, the atomic bomb is the weapon which insures the peace of the world at this moment, and the United States intends to keep it handy to defend itself and the rights of small nations. You may be assured, he said, that we are still the only ones who have the bomb—and while we have it, nobody is going to dictate to us. There will be no war, he said, as long as we have the bomb. Thus, he believes there will be no war in the next five years.

But Ambassador Messersmith sees Communism and the growth of Russian power as the greatest danger facing the world today. I never thought, he said, that after two great World Wars had been fought, and at such cost, that so soon after this latest war was over, we would be living in the shadow of World War Three.

He made it clear that in the line-up of World War Three, Russia (and her satellites) would be aligned on one side, against the United States, Britain, and the other Western democracies. Messersmith sees as his task in Buenos Aires the alignment of Argentina (regardless of its ideology, leaders or past sins) together with the rest of the Americas in a solid bloc on the side of the US and against Russia in such a war.

Messersmith spoke more frankly of his plans and his conversations with Argentine and US governmental leaders than he has spoken before with even members of the

press at not-for-publication press conferences.

His listeners received the definite impression that he believes his mission to be a success. Messersmith pointed to the declaration of President Faren that in any future war, Argentina would not be isolationist, but would adopt an American line.

Messersmith averred that two blocs were forming or had already formed in the world—one led by Soviet Russia, and the other, by the US and Britain. He declared that the US—much against its will or desire—had been placed in a position of world leadership and world responsibility—a position it had in no way sought, but a responsibility which it could not avoid and did not intend to avoid. He said there was an unbridgeable gulf between these two worlds. He said the Russian leaders simply do not "talk our language"—and that they do not think the way we do about things.

Messersmith strongly denounced what he called the screams of the Moscow radio and the Russian press and the Communists all over the world about our forming blocs against Russia. Why, said Messersmith, the Russians are forming their blocs, they are building their blocs on their western frontier. Messersmith said they had no right to criticize US efforts to solidify its traditional relationships in Latin America. The idea of Pan-American solidarity, he said, was over a hundred years old, and now the plan for standardization of armies, with uniform equipment and training was nothing but a logical consequence of that policy. He said Russia was doing the same thing in the countries of Europe which are in her shadow.

Messersmith revealed the substance of a verbal altercation he had had the same day with the Ambassador to the Argentine of a European country whose name he would not mention. He said this European country, in spite of its fine democratic tradition, the spirit of its people, which has always been friendly to England and the US, and its natural hostility to the Nazi idea, had not played a very noble role in the recent war, for it had trafficked with the enemy. Listeners got the unmistakable message that the country was Sweden. The Ambassador of this country

told Messersmith that day that, in violation of what Messersmith said was an existing gentleman's agreement not to sell arms to anyone without prior accord, this country was going to manufacture and sell arms to a third country--not Russia, but one of Russia's satellites.

Messersmith told his listeners that he denounced the Ambassador's country's action in some of the most vigorous language he has ever used. He said this was selling arms to a country which some day might use them against us. The envoy of the European country told Messersmith that his country intended to keep its economy going and that it had orders, and it was saw no reason why it should not fulfill them.

Whereupon Messersmith told him that from that day on, he was going to spend every waking minute and every hour struggling against this action, and for an international arms agreement that would make such business impossible.

Messersmith attacked an editorial published the other day in the English-language daily, "The Standard", of Buenos Aires--an editorial which deplored President Peron's sudden friendship for the US, and his coolness to the British during recent weeks of the trade negotiations.

Messersmith said he thought such "bellyaching" showed the writer didn't know what he was talking about. The American Ambassador said it was to Britain's advantage for a strong friendship to be built between Argentina and the US. For, said Messersmith, in a war to come, England would certainly be on the side of the US--and England had always been on our side in past wars-- it was inconceivable that we could be on opposite sides. Therefore, he said, what makes the US stronger, strengthens England.

We're not trying to build a fence around this hemisphere or build a fence around anything, said Messersmith. He praised the British Ambassador, Sir Reginald Lieper, whom he called probably the wisest and best Ambassador Britain has ever had in the Argentine, and recalled Lieper's speech the other day that some British were like a newly converted Catholic, who is more Catholic than the Pope--they

were more British than the British. Messersmith said Lieper did not take this position, and understood what we were doing in Latin America and supports us.

Messersmith said he believed the people of Russia, with the exception of a few people at the top, were like ourselves, and like the British and people everywhere in the world, and they didn't want war. But he said we have no way to reach them; that Russia is hermetically sealed, and it's difficult to get information in or out.

Messersmith said he was one of the earliest advocates of relations with Soviet Russia before they were established in the early 30's. In fact, he said, Roosevelt had offered him the post of Ambassador to Russia--the only diplomatic post he had refused to accept--and he refused only because Mrs. Messersmith said that if he went, she wouldn't go with him.

Messersmith said that all of the people in the government of the US who had a great responsibility these days were greatly concerned about our relations with Russia. He said Byrnes had aged ten years in the last two years. He said that this is why Bevin got sick and could not attend the peace conference. And he recalled that President Roosevelt died soon after Yalta.

Messersmith recalled conversations he had had with President Roosevelt about what would be the plan for Germany after the military victory was won. He said that at that time, the President believed occupied Germany would be administered as a unit, by an Allied Control Commission, composed of civilians. He said, George, I want you to go to Germany as our representative on the Allied Control Commission when the military victory is won.

And the Ambassador told Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. President, I don't believe there will be a uniform administration of Germany. I believe that the Russians are going to enforce the breaking up of Germany into separate occupied zones administered independently of each other by not the three main powers, but four, for France will come in for a share. And that is what happened, said Messersmith. I told the President, he said, I would not go to Germany under such an arrangement, for

It meant shame.

Messersmith said that he believed that the fullest possible publicity ought to be given to what is going on and what the countries are thinking and doing in the international field. It was for this reason that he told Secretary Byrnes some time ago that the American people should be told just what was in our minds and in the Russians' and just where the differences lay, so that they could accurately know where the blame ought to be placed for what difficulties exist. He said soon afterward, Secretary Byrnes delivered his famous address to the nation after returning from Europe, giving the US the first inside story of the discussions. He said that full and open reporting of these activities was essential to complete understanding, so that the American people would be prepared for events to come.

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SEPTEMBER 27, 1946

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BUENOS AIRES

LCPRESS TO ASSIST US IN ANALYZING SUBJECT REFERRED TO IN
YOUR MEMORANDUM OF SEPTEMBER TWENTIETH PLEASE RADIO ANSWER
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SEPTEMBER 27, 1946

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BUENOS AIRES

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IN BUENOSAIRE OR ANYWHERE ELSE EXCEPT MY WIFE AND ASSISTANT

STOP QUESTION TWO EYE DID NOT SEND MEMO TO ANYONE OUTSIDE

OR INSIDE BUENOSAIRE EXCEPT TO WORLDREPORT STOP QUESTION

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SINGLE COPY WHICH IS KEPT IN MY OFFICE FILE STOP ONLY

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SEPTEMBER FOURTH WAS BASED ON ANY WRITTEN MEMORANDUM OR SOLELY
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YOUR AUGUST FIFTH MEMORANDUM WAS SO MINUTELY PARAPHRASED IN
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REDMONT.

Messersmith Denies Soviet Charges of 'War' Speech

ly told the Legionnaires, "after two world wars had been fought at such cost, that in soon after this last one, we would be living in the shadow of World War III."

Messersmith was reported to have made it clear that in World War III the lineup would be Russia and her satellites against Britain and the United States and other Western democracies.

He was said to have told the Legionnaires that his task in Buenos Aires was to line up the "ideology of the leaders of their great aim," with the rest of the Americas in a bold bloc on the side of the United States.

Frank Speech Cited.

He spoke frankly in his conversations with the Argentines and gave the impression he was succeeding in his objective.

"All people in responsible positions in the U.S. government are concerned about relations with Russia," Messersmith was quoted.

He reportedly said Secretary of State Byrnes had aged 10 years in the last two years, and that this was why Ernest Bevin, British foreign secretary, and other

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turned home from the Paris peace conference.

He also was said to have recalled that President Roosevelt had died after attending the Yalta conference, and indirectly attributed this to worry over Russia.

Expert Unit Central of Germany.

The reports quoted him as saying he had talked to President Roosevelt about plans for Germany after victory and said the President believed the Allied Control Commission would administer Germany as a unit.

He reportedly said President Roosevelt had said: "George, I want you as our representative on the Allied Control Commission after victory."

To this, Messersmith was said to have told the Legionnaires, he replied:

"Mr. President, I don't believe there will be a uniform administration of Germany. I believe the Russians are going to force the breaking up of Germany into separate occupied zones, administered independently of each other, not by three main powers, but by four, with France as the fourth."

Refused Role in Germany.

"I told the President I would not go to Germany under such circumstances, since it meant chaos."

Messersmith reportedly said he believed the veto power had to be abolished before the United Nations organization could succeed and he believed "fullest possible publicity" should be "given to what is going on and what the countries are thinking and doing in the international field."

For this reason, he was reported as saying, he "told Byrnes some time ago that the people of the United States should be told just what is in our minds and in the Russians", and where the differences lay, so that they could accurately know where the blame ought to be placed for what difficulties exist."

2 Blocs Forming.

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"screams" of the Moscow radio paper, the English language and the Russian press and Com-Buenos Aires Standard, which denounces the world over about our pored President Juan Peron's forming a bloc on their Western sudden friendship for the United States and coolness toward the frontier.

He was reported to have said British mission.

they had "no right" to criticize. He was quoted as saying it to the efforts of the United States would be to Britain's advantage to solidify traditional relations for the United States to have a ships with Latin America, since strong friendship with Argentina the idea of pan-Americanism is and as praising the new British more than 100 years old and now ambassador, Sir Reginald Leeper.

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no more than the "logical sequence" of that policy.

Russia Follows Suit.

He reportedly said Russia was doing the same thing in European countries under her shadow.

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Arms to Be Sold.

The ambassador from this country told Messersmith, the U.S. envoy reportedly said, that in violation of what Messersmith considered an existing gentlemen's agreement not to sell arms to anyone "without prior record," this country was going to manufacture and sell arms to a third country—not Russia, but a Russian satellite.

Messersmith was said to have told his listeners he had denounced this action to the other ambassadors in "some of the most vigorous language" he had ever used.

He reportedly said this was selling arms to a country which some day might use them against us. He said the other ambassador said his country intended to keep its economy going and that it had orders and saw no reason for not filling them.

Full Opposition Vowed.

Messersmith was quoted as saying he then told the ambassador he was "going to spend every waking moment and every hour struggling against this action and for an international arms agreement that would make such an action impossible."

He was reported to have declared he had turned down the post of ambassador to Moscow because his wife would not do.

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U.S. Relations with Russia
"You may be sure," he reportedly said, "that the only ones who are going to do this will be no one but the bombs."
Thus, he believed, there will be no war in the near future.
The ambassador said that the growth of the atom and the growth of power as the world is facing the world.
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Mr. Newman Present.

No U.S. newspaper correspondents were present at the Legion dinner Aug. 5 when, the Daily Worker and Pravda said, Messersmith made the statement that the Western Hemisphere must prepare for war against the Soviet Union.

The correspondents that night, however, heard reports from sources in Buenos Aires. Messersmith made the statement further asserting that relations between Argentina and the United States must be patched up in spite of ideological differences or past animosities. All correspondents, including this one, so informed, their home offices in confidence, because it was an off-the-record speech.

Yuri Danilovich, head of the Soviet Tass news agency here and reputedly one of the Kremlin brains behind the Russian mission in Argentina, sent a long report of the speech to Russian officials at the Paris peace conference and in Moscow.

Reports Are Agreed.

In his speech, as reported by Soviet representatives in Paris and confirmed by Legation officials who were present at the dinner, Messersmith said he was convinced that "war with Russia is

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14 Date: October 2, 1946

To: Mr. Heber M. Clegg
Special Assistant to the Ambassador
The American Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

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From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: BERNARD S. REDMONT

As you know, David Lawrence of World Report has been in communication with the Bureau over the possibility that the memorandum submitted by his representative in Buenos Aires, Bernard S. Redmont, was the basis for the news stories regarding the alleged, off-the-record remarks of Ambassador Messersmith. Mr. Lawrence has come to the conclusion that the similarity between the story written by Virginia Prewitt for the Chicago Sun and the memorandum submitted by Mr. Redmont, dated August 6, is striking, and that obviously Redmont's memorandum was the source of her story although, at the same time, Mr. Lawrence does not wish to charge Redmont with furnishing the information to Miss Prewitt but, on the other hand, feels that in some way she had access to his memorandum. Mr. Lawrence, further, is not satisfied with Mr. Redmont's comments regarding Monica Millward, particularly since he admits that she could have had access to his files but at the same time states that while she admits this is possible she will not say yes or no.

Mr. Lawrence has made available his complete file containing Redmont's report on Ambassador Messersmith, along with copies of the radiograms which have been exchanged between Washington and his Buenos Aires correspondent. Mr. Lawrence feels that on a personal and confidential, off-the-record basis Ambassador Messersmith should have the advantage of knowing exactly what Mr. Redmont submitted to him and of his efforts to clarify the matter. He, of course, does not wish Redmont to know that this file has been made available to the Ambassador.

It is, accordingly, desired that you present the attachments to the Ambassador, pointing out that they were made available by Mr. David Lawrence, who was of the opinion that the Ambassador should be cognizant of Redmont's

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memorandum reporting his off-the-record address and the contents of the exchange of communications with Redmont. Mr. Lawrence also stated that the Ambassador should be informed that the State Department has been given access to the attached file.

For your further confidential information, Mr. Lawrence had lunch with Undersecretary of State, Dean Acheson, yesterday, at which time Mr. Acheson stated that he thought that Ambassador Messersmith should be informed of all the details in this matter. Mr. Lawrence got the definite impression that Mr. Acheson did not desire that the State Department enter into the matter, and Mr. Acheson suggested that the Bureau forward the attachments to the Ambassador. There is no objection to conveying this information to the Ambassador on a strictly personal and confidential basis with the understanding that he will not divulge any details of this information.

Mr. Lawrence further stated that a doubt arises in his mind as to whether Ambassador Messersmith was quoted correctly and that since a copy of Redmont's memorandum is in their files if it is factually inaccurate and if the Ambassador desires he will be glad to note any deviations, of course on an off-the-record basis, so he does not assume that the Ambassador would want anything printed.

In addition to the attached exchange of radiograms, Redmont has informed David Lawrence that a delegation consisting of representatives of the Associated Press and the United Press called upon the Ambassador to intercede on behalf of Redmont, and it is reported back to Mr. Lawrence that the Ambassador is now not certain that Redmont was responsible for the leak in the off-the-record remarks and will not bar him from future press conferences.

In the event Ambassador Messersmith has any word that he would like to communicate back to Mr. Lawrence, the Bureau of course will be glad to act as intermediary, or should the Ambassador desire to write to Mr. Lawrence, the Bureau would be glad to personally deliver any communication that the Ambassador might desire to have delivered to him.

Attachment

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cc - Mr. Carson

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